

# Cover Letter

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Dear Hiring Manager,

I'm writing to express my interest in any internship or junior-level opportunities within your development team. I'm a self-motivated, aspiring developer currently learning UX design and web development, and I'm eager to grow my skills through hands-on experience, mentorship, and real-world projects.

After studying Software Engineering at Eduvos in 2023, I had to pause my formal education due to financial reasons, but I didn't let that stop me. I've since taken my learning into my own hands, completing certifications in Responsive Web Design and JavaScript Algorithms through FreeCodeCamp, and building a live weather app using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript ([weatherappbywk.netlify.app](https://weatherappbywk.netlify.app)).

What I may lack in professional experience, I make up for in drive, consistency, and coachability. I've developed soft skills like communication, leadership, and teamwork through my time as a volunteer assistant coach, and I'm ready to apply those in a work environment where I can contribute to a team and learn from it.

I'm excited to bring my passion for tech, growth mindset, and commitment to continuous improvement to your company. Thank you for considering my application. I'd love the opportunity to chat more and show how I can add value to your team.

Sincerely,

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# Weslie Kalonji

Junior Web Developer

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Motivated and self-taught web developer actively learning UX design, with a strong foundation in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. Eager to gain hands-on experience through an internship that allows me to grow my technical skills, contribute to real projects, and work within a collaborative team. Known for being a fast learner, solid communicator, and a dependable team player through past volunteer experience.

## Career Experience

### Volunteer Assistant Coach Local Youth Team 2022 - 2022

- Helped run training sessions and support young players
- Promoted teamwork, focus, and discipline
- Assisted with game-day prep and organizing events
- Built strong leadership and group coordination skills

## Education

### Matric (Bachelor Pass)

2016 - 2021

Kenilworth Secondary School

### Bachelor of Software Engineering

2023

Eduvos (formerly Pearson Institute) (Studies paused due to financial reasons)

## Certifications

Responsive Web Design – FreeCodeCamp

JavaScript Algorithms & Data Structures – FreeCodeCamp

## Projects

- Tech Used: HTML, CSS, JavaScript
- Built and deployed a responsive weather app that fetches real-time weather data using a public API
- Focused on clean UI, usability, and mobile responsiveness

## Technical Skills

- **Web Development:** HTML, CSS, JavaScript (Basic), Responsive Design
- **Projects:** Built and deployed a Weather App using HTML, CSS & JavaScript
- **UX Design:** Currently learning user-centered design, wireframing, and accessibility best practices
- **Tools & Platforms:** Visual Studio Code, GitHub, Netlify, Canva
- **Communication:** Clear and confident when working with others or explaining ideas
- **Teamwork:** Experienced in group settings through volunteer coaching and collaboration
- **Problem-Solving:** Able to work through challenges independently and find solutions
- **Adaptability:** Open to feedback, quick to learn new tools and environments
- **Time Management:** Able to manage tasks and stay organized while juggling learning and projects
- **Leadership:** Developed through guiding and motivating young players as a volunteer coach
- **Work Ethic:** Reliable, consistent, and always willing to go the extra mile

## Soft Skills

freeCodeCamp (🔥)

This certifies that

**Weslie**

successfully completed the

**Responsive Web Design**

Developer Certification on July 5, 2024

representing approximately 300 hours of work



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Executive Director, freeCodeCamp.org



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## JavaScript Algorithms and Data Structures

Developer Certification on March 3, 2025

representing approximately 300 hours of work

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