

Cover Letter

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Dear Hiring Manager,

I'm writing to apply for a frontend development internship or junior role at your company. As a self-taught frontend developer with a growing portfolio of live projects, I'm passionate about building clean, responsive, and user-friendly web applications that solve real problems and look good doing it.

My journey into tech began with curiosity and quickly evolved into consistency. I studied Software Engineering at Eduvos in 2023 before moving into self-directed learning due to financial constraints. Since then, I've earned certifications in Responsive Web Design and JavaScript Algorithms through FreeCodeCamp, and built multiple live projects — including a weather app, a to-do list, a stopwatch, and now, my very own portfolio website, which showcases my work and skills in one place.

My stack includes HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and Bootstrap, and I'm currently learning React to deepen my understanding of component-based development. I've also been exploring UX design fundamentals to improve how users interact with my interfaces.

Beyond the code, I bring soft skills from my volunteer experience as an assistant coach — including teamwork, communication, leadership, and the ability to stay cool under pressure. I'm someone who learns fast, solves problems independently, and knows when to collaborate.

I'd love the chance to grow within a forward-thinking team where I can contribute, learn, and keep building things that matter. Thanks for considering my application — I'm ready when you are.

Sincerely,

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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

- **Weather App** – Displays real-time weather using API | HTML, CSS, JS
- **To-Do App** – Task manager with categories + localStorage | HTML, CSS, JS
- **Stopwatch App** – Functional timer with lap system | HTML, CSS, JS
- **Portfolio Website** – Personal site showcasing all projects | HTML, CSS, Bootstrap [Link to Portfolio Website](#)

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

Soft Skills

- **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

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successfully completed the

Responsive Web Design

Developer Certification on July 5, 2024

representing approximately 300 hours of work



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JavaScript Algorithms and Data Structures

Developer Certification on March 3, 2025

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