

## Shirin Ali

Web Developer

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Dear Hiring Manager,

I am writing to express my interest in contributing to your organization with my diverse experience in software development and web technologies. With a strong foundation in programming and a passion for creating impactful digital solutions, I am confident in my ability to support your team in achieving its objectives.

Throughout my academic journey at George Brown College and my professional experiences, I have developed a well-rounded skill set that aligns with industry demands:

- **Volunteering to Teach Coding:** I had the privilege of leading a community-driven initiative where I taught Afghan girls coding. This experience deepened my understanding of programming fundamentals while enhancing my communication, leadership, and organizational skills. I was responsible for coordinating the curriculum, ensuring it met the students' needs, and fostering a positive, supportive learning environment. The curriculum included hands-on coding exercises using HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and basic Git/GitHub for version control, enabling students to build simple web applications and develop a solid foundation in web development.
- **Freelance Web Development:** In my role as a freelance web developer, I successfully delivered tailored web solutions for small businesses. This required understanding client needs, managing deadlines, and utilizing technologies such as React, Node.js, and MongoDB to develop dynamic, user-centric websites.

Key Skills & Technical Expertise:

- **Programming Languages:** Python, Java, JavaScript, C++, SQL
- **Web Development:** HTML, CSS, React, Node.js
- **Databases:** MySQL, MongoDB
- **Tools & Technologies:** Git, GitHub, Docker, AWS, Agile Methodologies
- **Operating Systems:** Windows, Linux, macOS

I am particularly drawn to organizations that value innovation and excellence in technology, values that resonate deeply with my own. My ability to adapt to new challenges and technologies, coupled with my dedication to delivering high-quality results, makes me confident in my capacity to contribute effectively to your team.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my skills and experiences align with the needs of your organization. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of contributing to your success.

Sincerely,

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I am aspiring to obtain the position of Web Developer in a dynamic organization where I can leverage my skills and experience in software development, web technologies, and team collaboration to drive impactful digital solutions.

### Summary

Passionate and skilled Web Developer with experience in building user-centric digital solutions. Adept at working with various programming languages and web technologies, including React, Node.js, MongoDB, and Python. I am seeking to contribute technical expertise and innovative solutions to an organization that values growth and excellence.

### Core Competencies

- **Programming Languages:** Python, Java, JavaScript, C++, SQL
- **Web Development:** HTML, CSS, React, Node.js, Vue.js, Django, PHP
- **Databases:** MongoDB, MySQL, PostgreSQL
- **Tools & Technologies:** Git, GitHub, Docker, AWS (EC2, S3, Lambda), Azure, Agile Methodologies
- **CI/CD & Deployment:** Familiar with CI/CD pipelines, Testing/Deployment/Release processes
- **APIs:** Experience with RESTful APIs, integrating third-party APIs
- **Testing:** Unit testing (JUnit), Automation (Selenium, Cypress)
- **Cloud Platforms:** AWS (EC2, S3, Lambda), Azure (DevOps, Virtual Machines)
- **Operating Systems:** Linux, Windows, macOS
- **Accessibility:** Knowledge of web accessibility guidelines and tools (e.g., WAVE, Axe)

### Professional Experience

#### Web Developer

*Freelance / Self-employed (June 2023 – Sep 2024)*

- **Lead** the design and development of custom websites for small businesses, delivering responsive, user-friendly solutions.
- **Responsible** for full-stack development, using technologies such as React, Node.js, MongoDB, and MySQL to build dynamic websites.
- **Integrated** third-party APIs to enhance functionality, including payment gateways, data visualization tools, and social media platforms.
- **Coordinated** with clients to gather requirements and ensure project deliverables met specifications and deadlines.
- **Delivered** completed websites with high performance, scalability, and security, and provided ongoing maintenance and updates.

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### Lead Instructor & Web Development Coordinator

*Afghan Girls Coding Bootcamp — (September 2023 – April 2024)*

- **Led** a team of beginner developers, overseeing their progress and providing direction on full-stack web development projects.
- **Coordinated** and organized coding workshops, ensuring the curriculum was effectively implemented and aligned with the students' learning needs.
- **Developed** educational content, tutorials, and hands-on exercises to foster practical coding skills in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and other technologies.
- **Achieved** successful outcomes with students creating web applications, demonstrating clear proficiency in coding fundamentals.
- **Responsible** for tracking student progress, providing feedback, and ensuring a positive, supportive learning environment.

### Education

George Brown College — Computer Programming and Analysis – Advanced Diploma

Graduation Date: April 2025