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Indiana Pacers Basketball Operations
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Dear Hiring Manager,

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Basketball Analytics Intern position with the Indiana Pacers for Summer 2026. As a Statistics and Data Analytics student at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with hands-on experience analyzing complex datasets and developing data-driven solutions, I am excited about the opportunity to contribute analytical insights that can impact team performance and decision-making.

My current role as a Business Analyst Intern at Sandhills Global has strengthened my ability to collaborate across departments, gather requirements, and translate data into actionable recommendations. I regularly work with teams in IT, sales, and operations to analyze workflows and support system conversions—skills that directly translate to working with coaching staff, front office personnel, and player development teams. Additionally, my upcoming summer internship as a Software Business Analyst at DMSi will further develop my technical expertise in data systems and analysis.

Through my coursework in Statistical Learning, Data Visualization, Regression Analysis, and Probability Theory, I have built a strong foundation in the statistical methods critical to basketball analytics. I am proficient in R and Python for data analysis, and I have experience creating visualizations and reports that communicate complex findings to both technical and non-technical audiences. My academic projects have included network analysis, machine learning applications, and large-scale data processing—all of which are directly applicable to analyzing player performance, lineup efficiency, and opponent tendencies.

What sets me apart is my genuine passion for basketball combined with rigorous analytical training. I understand that effective analytics in sports requires not just technical skills, but also the ability to ask the right questions, contextualize data within the game, and present findings that coaches and decision-makers can act upon. I am eager to learn from the Pacers' analytics team while contributing fresh perspectives and a strong work ethic.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my analytical skills, technical proficiency, and enthusiasm for basketball can contribute to the Indiana Pacers' continued success. Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

Tyler Hansen