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To whom it may concern,

I am currently working at Microsoft while going to grad school part time; I plan on becoming a UX/Human Computer Interaction professor. As an undergraduate, I paid for my college degree by working as a TA for computer science courses during the school year and working as a UX research intern during the summers--- teaching and UX are my passions! I would be a great fit for this position because I will be able to combine my UX research experience from Stanford University, Microsoft, and Adobe Research.

At Microsoft, I created paper prototypes and interviewed users before designing and building a dashboard for software engineers at Microsoft that saved 120 hours per year on status checks. As a research assistant in academic labs, I wrote C++ and Java to track telemetry, and then I wrote Python to analyze and interpret the resulting data. I wrote and published five research papers about usability and inclusion by the time I graduated from the University of Virginia. As a teaching assistant (TA) for a HCI course, I taught students how to iterate through the design cycle, generate research plans, and track UX metrics; and, in post class surveys, I received praise for my command and teaching of the subject.

In addition to my background in planning and executing a range of research methodologies, I will be completing the UX & Visual Interface Design certificate at the University of Washington in June 2021. I would love the opportunity to join Coding Dojo! Thank you in advance for your consideration, and I look forward to hearing about next steps.

Sincerely,

Naomi Johnson