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Dear Hiring Manager,

I am excited to apply for the **Software Developer** position you have posted. As a dedicated and detail-oriented professional transitioning into software development, I bring a strong foundation in Full Stack Development alongside extensive experience in administrative and aerospace roles. My background has equipped me with a unique combination of problem-solving, analytical thinking, and adaptability—qualities essential for success in a dynamic tech environment.

Currently, I am enrolled in the Full Stack Software Development program at the University of Kansas, where I am gaining proficiency in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Node.js, Object-Oriented Programming, Schema, Render, React and Prompt Engineering. My coursework and personal projects have strengthened my ability to build, troubleshoot, and optimize web applications, and I am eager to apply these skills in a professional setting.

Prior to my transition into tech, I held roles in aerospace quality inspection and executive administrative support. These experiences refined my technical writing, data analysis, and project management skills—allowing me to thrive in detail-driven environments where precision and efficiency are paramount. My ability to manage documentation, coordinate cross-functional teams, and maintain compliance with rigorous industry standards will translate seamlessly into software development, where accuracy and structured problem-solving are critical.

I am particularly excited about the opportunity to contribute to your team as I pursue a full-time, remote software development position. I am confident that my technical skills, combined with my background in process improvement and organization, will allow me to make a meaningful impact on your team.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I welcome the opportunity to discuss how my skills align with your team's needs.

Most sincerely,

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Objective

Aspiring Full Stack Software Developer seeking a full-time, remote position where I can leverage my technical skills, problem-solving abilities, and diverse professional experience to contribute to a dynamic development team.

Technical Skills

- Full Stack Development: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Node.js, Schema, Render, React, Object-Oriented Programming, Prompt Engineering
- Database Management: PostgreSQL, SQL
- Version Control: Git, GitHub
- Problem-Solving & Debugging
- Technical & Professional Writing
- Project & Time Management

Education & Certifications

University of Kansas

• Full Stack Software Development (In Progress, Certification by June 2025)

Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc.

- Lean Manufacturing Green Belt Certification
- American Sign Language Course
- Lead Worker Effectiveness

American Red Cross

• Adult First Aid/CPR/AED Certification

Washington Aerospace Training & Research Center / Renton Technical College

- Aerospace Manufacturing Core Certification (Honor Roll)
- Aerospace Manufacturing Assembly Mechanic Certification (Honor Roll)

U.S. Department of Homeland Security - FEMA

• Multiple disaster preparedness and workplace security certifications

Projects

- Employee Management System (Node.js, TypeScript, PostgreSQL, Inquirer.js)
 - Developed a command-line application to manage employees, roles, and departments
 - o Implemented database CRUD operations with PostgreSQL
- Weather Dashboard (JavaScript, OpenWeather API)
 - o Built a weather application that retrieves and displays real-time weather data
 - o Integrated API requests and local storage to track user search history

Work Experience

Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc. – Seattle, WA

Defense Quality Inspector III / Remote Defense Quality Coordinator 2017 – 2024

- Managed documentation and compliance for military contracts with DCMA
- Conducted quality inspections and prepared reports for aerospace components
- Provided administrative support to C-Level executives, including scheduling and correspondence
- Maintained professional and responsive communication with cross-functional teams and external vendors

Work Experience continued...

IDD Aerospace Corporation/Zodiac Aerospace – Redmond, WA

Aerospace Quality Inspector 2017

- Conducted inspections on military aircraft control panels for compliance with aerospace specifications
- Verified engineering drawings and ensured all components met required tolerances
- Collaborated with multiple departments to address non-conformities and improve inspection processes

Professional References - Available upon request