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Dear Udacity recruiting team,

I am a software developer passionate about learning, and I am applying for the Full Stack Engineer position found here:

<https://jobs.lever.co/udacity/df7fbc8c-c7c9-4cb3-b1de-7d169521da15>

Udacity's online classes helped me grow as a developer. This would be a great opportunity for me to use my experience in building highly usable and available online solutions to help others in building their skills. I have extensive experience writing code, as well as working in a team, managing, and mentoring other developers. When my team built the online remote control configurator for Universal Electronics, Inc, I was a liaison between product managers and development team, to provide technical advice on one side, and clarify functional specifications on the other side, which was crucial to come up with realistic timelines.

As an active learner, I took numerous courses through Coursera, Codecademy, Stanford University, University of Kent. Because of my passion for education, I want to help others learn, so I created 3 beginner-level Python courses for Codecademy, and was a part of Coursera's Global Translator Community, helping translate 4 AI and ML-related classes. I would love to apply my skills to make Udacity platform even better.

Currently, I work for Parse.ly, on their online analytics dashboard that helps digital publishers to get insights into their audience and understand what readers like and dislike, and how to improve their content and give them what they want. This position taught me a lot about processing massive amounts of data and staying alive under huge loads. My job is the back-end, that is making sure the data flows to those beautiful charts that you'll see in Parse.ly's demos. I use Python in my work, but wrote for many years in C# and Java for my previous employers (Cars.com, Universal Electronics, and others), and also created a few mobile apps (one example: NevoApp in Google Play Store). For the most part, I was creating web sites, not the static-content ones, but powerful feature-rich applications, and Udacity is similar in this respect.

I believe that my skills and experience in building software, as well as my passion for learning and teaching, would be useful to Udacity.

Thank you for your time.

I can be reached by email at any time, or by phone during daytime hours (8am - 5pm).

Sincerely yours,
Irina