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Canada Life Assurance

Division: Human Resource Location: Toronto, Ontario

Dear Hiring Manager:

I am excited to apply for the **Student API Developer Co-op Placement** at Canada Life Assurance. I am a software engineering student at the University of Victoria in British Columbia. I am eager to learn and grow in the field of computer and software engineering and I believe that this role will help me gain valuable work-experience related to my interests and help me acquire a practical understanding in a real-world setting.

I have a fascination for developing web and mobile applications, and I am continually learning new skills through personal projects outside school. I have been involved in more than 13 software development projects, which includes developing an iOS weather application in Swift Programming Language, making a 3D graphical simulation of a Rubik's Cube in OpenGL, C⁺⁺ and developing web development projects in React, JavaScript and TypeScript. I have interests in the field of Visual Computing and Artificial Intelligence and have been taking an active interest in the field through my coursework and side-projects. I have been an active member in the Engineering Students Society and UVic Students Society where I have worked as a mentor during my second year as well as volunteered in multiple events besides engaging in development projects throughout my time.

Throughout my academic endeavors, I have had the chance to learn the basic concepts of object-oriental programming, software development, software testing and evolution, advanced data structures and algorithms. I have actively contributed to the *UVic Rocketry* and *VikeLabs* as a full-stack web developer, where I have spent much of my time collaborating and developing solutions to issues while reviewing codes mostly written in TypeScript and Python. My experience includes developing schemas in both MongoDB and PostgreSQL using Atlas, as well as other database tools and services especially Prisma, PlanetScale, and Mongoose. Throughout my projects, I have used automation and testing frameworks such as Selenium, Puppeteer, JUnit, Maven, Gradle. While working in teams at *UVic Rocketry*, I became familiar using ticketing tools, such as Jira and Kanban, which helped me gain insight into the importance of following Agile methodologies in a development environment. I strongly believe that I am adaptable and flexible when it comes to taking responsibilities and delivering results, and am confident in my ability to quickly gain familiarity with new tools and techniques necessary to excel in this role.

I am currently available for a 4, 8 or a 12-month work term and would be open to the possibility of participating in more than two consecutive terms. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to further discuss my skills and experience with Canada Life Assurance.

Most Sincerely,

Arfaz Hossain (He/Him) Software Engineering Student,

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