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PHSA Hiring Team
Provincial Health Services Authority
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Dear PHSA Hiring Team,

My name is Brianna Drew and I'm writing to you because I am incredibly interested in working for PHSA as a Junior Data Scientist. I am ecstatic to submit this application because after stumbling upon your job posting and reading the description, I believe I am a great candidate. Last year, I graduated with honours from Trent University, earning a bachelor's degree in science, majoring in computer science, and specializing in data analytics. I am currently pursuing a master's degree in digital media at the Centre for Digital Media, which I started in the summer of last year and expect to graduate in the spring of next year. This program has allowed me to act as a software developer on multidisciplinary teams, applying my skills to real-world projects for real-world clients. For the final semester of my studies, I am expected to search for a job opportunity (but it can of course extend beyond the time I graduate) and I can also commute and/or relocate. During my studies, I have demonstrated the ability to work well both on my own and as part of a team and I have also gained invaluable experience in programming using languages such as Python, R, C#, SQL, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, and Java, as well as various tools such as MATLAB, NumPy, Pandas, Scikitlearn, etc. While I've "dipped my toes" into many different areas of technology, I especially have an affinity for data.

The hands-on experience I've gained through my learning journey has led me to develop an ever-burning passion for coding, software design, and technology in general. I first started taking computer science courses in my third year of secondary school, eight years ago, and have been learning and developing ever since. I pride myself on being incredibly detail-oriented and have fallen more and more in love with the problem-solving and analytical skills that development demands. There is nothing I love more than the sense of accomplishment I feel when I am finally able to fix that one bug. I am always yearning to learn new things and can adapt quickly to new challenges presented to me. During my experience working for Pillar Financial Services Inc. for five consecutive springs and summers as mortgage administration support, I was trusted to organize and manage very sensitive client data with care and confidentiality. I also communicated with colleagues and clients in a professional and mature manner. Not only do I believe that I am an asset, but I believe your values align with mine and my career goals. I would be overjoyed to have the opportunity to join your team and learn so much more. I hope to hear from you soon and wish you all the best.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brianna Drew". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large, stylized 'B' and 'D'.

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