To IBM Watson Recruiting:

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am currently a Masters of Engineering student in Computer Science at Cornell Tech and will be graduating this May. As my attached resume shows, I have experience in many fields, from robotics and user oriented design to both front and back end development. Based on my several internship experiences and company projects, I know that I am interested in companies that are innovative and that perform deep research, which is one of the main reasons why I am interested in IBM Watson.

I was particularly interested in IBM Watson, not only because it exhibits these characteristics but also because of its ground breaking work in machine learning, especially the AlchemyLanguage APIs. In addition, after listening to a talk from Watson representatives on health tech, I was intrigued by Watson’s philosophy of increasing employee effectiveness, rather than replacing employees. This meshed well with work that I have done in user and product design at Olin College of Engineering and Cornell, specifically being able to understand the needs and values of users and transform those intangible concepts into products that will provide the maximum amount of effectiveness and ease of use for those users.

While at Cornell Tech, I attended a talk about the current work being done by IBM Watson and immediately connected with what the representatives said and were fascinated by their current projects, especially in light of my internship at Athenahealth this past summer. IBM Watson certainly sounds like the type of place I would like to work.

I would very much appreciate the opportunity to interview with IBM Watson for any relevant job openings, to learn more about the company and to show my abilities.

Sincerely,

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