Hi,

My name is Ryan D’souza and I’d love to intern at MarketAxess as a Software Applications Developer. My love for developing trading platforms, the region where my passions for Computer Science and Finance intersect, grew when I interned at *Javelin Capital Markets* *LLC.*, an Interest Rate Swaps Execution Facility, last summer.

In terms of Finance, I’ve been an active value investor in stocks and long-term ForEx trader for the past three years. I plan to continue investing in stocks, mainly in the technology sector, and, when I acquire enough capital, begin investing in fixed-income instruments like government and corporate bonds. I read *Bloomberg*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *The Economist* daily, and blog about macro-economic trends.

In terms of Computer Science, I consider myself proficient in all paradigms of Java, especially backend and server-side, and well-versed in modern application design patterns. I’ve made several Android applications – both commercially and privately - explored and built different complex data structures and algorithms, and have worked on large-scale projects.

My internship as a Software Engineer at *Javelin*, a SEF with a backend entirely written in Java, and my passion for Computer Science, make me feel confident that I will know how to handle and learn