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Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is Elizabeth Ha and I am thrilled to be applying for the software engineering internship position at Buzzfeed. After reviewing your job description, it’s clear that you’re looking for an enthusiastic applicant that can be relied upon to fully engage with the role and develop professionally in a self-motivated manner. Given these requirements, I believe I am the perfect candidate for the job.

I am a driven computer science student currently attending New York University. Coursework wise, I am enrolled in or have completed many high level programming classes such as Data Structures, Basic Algorithms, Computer Systems Organizations, and Database Implementation. I have extensive knowledge in Java, Javascript, Python, HTML, and CSS, and am comfortable with PHP, MySQL, and C. During the course of my academic career, I also managed to accrue nearly 13 months of work experience in professional computer science work environments. Most recently, I was a web development intern at Avex Designs, a creative agency with a focus in website creation and user experience. At Avex, I was able to utilize my knowledge in Javascript, PHP, and Wordpress in real world applications. By working closely with not only the development team, but also the design and marketing teams, I gained a sense of coding with a product vision in mind. In addition, my time with the company was not limited to being a web development intern. Thanks to the small sized teams and my eleven month stay, I was able to take on many more responsibilities than initially expected. I got a more well rounded experience by being able to contribute to the full process from design, to development, to client interactions. I was also the account lead for several major clients and mentored many of the new interns. Overall, I was able to tackle many challenges and as a result, grew as a programmer and a team member. In both my academic and professional life, I have been consistently praised as fast learner by my professors and peers. Whether working on academic or professional projects, I am confident in being a leader and a team member, a skill I hope to leverage into the software internship role at your company.

Outside of my academic and professional experiences, I have a robust background in entrepreneurship and leadership. In 2015, I started a clothing brand, Glory Child, and was able to generate $3,000 in revenue and 2,000+ daily visits to the website in the first two months. I was in charge of designing the clothing and also creating and handling the store website. In addition to gaining web development exposure, I gained leadership experience by coordinating and leading bimonthly meetings with my team. Although Glory Child is currently on hold due to school work, I believe the experience has left me with many skills that I have applied in my professional career and my programming ventures. On a more academic note, I am currently a mentor for the Women in Science Peer Undergraduate Mentoring Program at NYU. As a mentor for fellow women in STEM, I act as a guiding figure and also provide support and advice when needed.

After reviewing my resume, I hope you will agree that I am the type of positive and driven candidate that you are looking for. I am excited to elaborate on how my specific skills and abilities will benefit Buzzfeed. I look forward to our future correspondence – please contact me at 630) 800-8382 or elizabeth.ha@nyu.edu.

Sincerely,

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