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Dear Hiring Team

I am writing this letter because I am interested in your open position for a Web Developer, which I was made aware of by my mentor, Richard. I am a quick learner, team player and experienced with python which makes me more than qualified for this position. Currently, I am a second year student at the University of Waterloo enrolled in Physics and Astronomy with a passion for technology and an eagerness to learn.

My fast learning skills will be a huge benefit to speeding up your project through cutting down training time and getting straight to the development aspect faster. These skills helped me excel in my Computational Physics course. I learned to code in python within a few weeks without any prior knowledge or experience with programming. I gained experience with using multiple functions from modules such as SciPy, Matplotlib and Pylab. I am confident that my ability to quickly learn python syntax will be beneficial in learning how to work with the Django Web Framework quickly, and efficiently.

Big projects mean teamwork, and teams need to be able to cooperate with each other to get the job done, my communication skills will allow me to do just that. I have been a part of many teams at establishments such as Shoppers Drug Mart and Tim Hortons where teamwork was essential to delivering the customer the best service they could get. Both of these positions gave me the opportunity to develop my teamwork skills and strengthen any weak points in my abilities. These were small teams such as your own and I believe I could fit right in and help things run smoothly.

If I am offered this position, I will be ready to hit the ground running and help your team exceed its own expectations for success. I would like the opportunity to speak with you about how I can contribute to your team as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Dinindu Gunasekara

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### **Summary of Qualifications**

- Currently learning and using python to solve various physical problems.
- Superb teamwork and individual work ethic developed through multiple job experiences.
- Exemplary problem solving skills developed through various physics courses and volunteer positions.
- Skilled in multitasking and meeting strict deadlines developed through working a fast-food and factory settings.

### **Education/Training**

**Candidate Bachelor of Science**, Honours Physics and Astronomy, University of Waterloo,  
Waterloo, ON, September 2015 - Present

- Term Dean's Honour List Fall 2015 and Winter 2016 for achieving a high average.
- Awarded Merit Scholarship upon acceptance.

**Ontario Secondary School Diploma**, Lester B Pearson High School (2012-2015)

- Ontario Scholar.
- Academic Honour Roll (2011-2015).

### **Work Experience**

**Merchandise**, Shoppers Drug Mart, Burlington, ON, June 2016 - August 2016

- Completely renovated the store as part of a team, gaining knowledge on the inner workings of a large corporation such as ordering products.
- Strategically rearranged the store as to accommodate customer needs
- Provided excellent customer service while meeting weekly renovation quota.

**Team Member**, Tim Hortons, Burlington, ON, June 2013 - February 2014

- Developed the ability to multitask efficiently from tasks such as, taking drive through orders while working on a previous order.
- Resolved customer complaints with respect and understanding.
- Worked efficiently as part of a team to ensure that the customer got their order in a timely fashion.

### **Relevant Courses:**

#### **Computational Physics, Fall 2016**

- Learned and currently using python to solve physics problems

### **Volunteer Experience**

#### **Physiotherapy Assistant, Joseph Brant Hospital, Burlington, ON, March 2014 - February 2015**

- Solved a variety of problems that spanned from lack of equipment to helping difficult patients.

### **Activities/Interests**

- **Member**, Student Council, Lester B. Pearson High School, Burlington ON, September 2013 - June 2015
- **Vice President**, Environmental Club, Lester B. Pearson High School, Burlington ON, September 2014 - June 2015
  - Planned events to improve our school's carbon footprint with members of the club
- **Member**, UW Badminton Club, University of Waterloo, Waterloo ON, September 2016 - Present