Why do I want to apply to FaC?

I like how accessible FaC makes programming and giving minorities to work in the tech industry, an industry still mostly dominated by white males.

I really value FaC peer-led learning approach. I really benefited from learning on the weekly meet-ups, but also from friends that have been part of FaC cohorts in the previous years. It is a very nice way of learning, which makes it easier to learn coding, but at the same time I get to improve my soft skills, such as collaboration and communications and also teaches me a new way to think about coding problems I have and how to communicate them to other people.

I believe tech gives us the opportunity to develop a more sustainable and ethical future, if used correctly and by working with companies that uphold these values, FaC contributes to this

I am really interested in coding and find it very enjoyable to work on problems and in the end find solutions to these.

I am really excited to learn more about programming and can’t wait to delve deeper into it.

Some info about me:

Interests in sustainability, art, plants and coding

Hello! I’m Lisa Hanes (she/her) and I am hoping to pursue a career in tech. I grew up in Germany and have been living in London for nearly four years and consider it my new home. Before coming to London, I went backpacking in the USA and Mexico, where I volunteered for all sorts of different companies and charities. Soon I will be graduating from the University of Westminster with a BA (Hons) in Photography.

I had my first coding experience last year, where I attended an 8-week introduction course hosted by Code First Girls. I really enjoyed learning about programming and being able to solve problems and build projects. This made me commit to becoming a web developer. Over the past few months, I have learned a lot about HTML, CSS and JavaScript with the help of friends, the weekly meetups organised by FaC and the discord channel.

I really enjoy FaC´s peer-led learning approach. Not only is it a great pedagogical method which makes learning so much more enjoyable and fun, but it is also fantastic opportunity to develop a set of other skills, such as working in a team or communication skills, which will be relevant in my future career.

I am confident that my skills and enthusiasm will allow me to make the most of my time with FaC. I am looking forward to the opportunity to be a part of the FaC community and work alongside other talented people.