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Dear Google Team,

I am writing to express my enthusiasm and deep interest in the Summer 2024 Associate Product Management Internship. When I first found the product management opportunity on the Google website, I saved the date so I could apply the day applications opened! I am excited for the opportunity to contribute to an incredible team of committed and passionate technologists.

Google’s commitment to a diverse workforce is particularly appealing to me as a marginalized developer and designer in the tech sphere. Furthermore, Google’s commitment to user-centric design is aligned with the way in which I have approached my studies in computer science and interaction design during my time at Georgia Tech.

As a student at Georgia Tech, my most impactful opportunity has been my part-time job as a teaching assistant. I believe teaching a subject is one of the best ways to master complex material. Answering unique questions and helping my peers succeed is one of the most rewarding experiences I have had while in school. In my time as a TA, I have contributed to group projects including an effort to re-write our reference source code to be more readable and efficient. I believe the technical skills and the social skills I have learned from my time as a TA make me an asset to any team that values technologists who can break down complex problems and create innovative solutions.

In addition to my role as a TA, I spend my time working on a variety of projects, such as my personal website, my walkthrough horror game prototype, and my digital illustration archive dedicated to transgender awareness, which I lovingly call, “Scarchive.” I try to grow both my programming skills and my design skills to create the most bold and interesting products for our future. Even though I am a member of some amazing teams of students, I also thrive working independently. And I love to teach myself new design skills and programming languages.

My position as a developer and designer for AccessCORPS is one of my most important roles. AccessCORPS is a student-led team of researchers, designers, and engineers dedicated to making academic courses more accessible to students with disabilities. During my time with AccessCORPS, I have designed the logo for the team, developed the AccessCORPS website, and completed a certification for inclusive and accessible digital design. I wish to learn so much more about accessible technologies, and I believe my knowledge of accessible design is aligned with Google’s user-first values. In addition, having struggled with my own learning disabilities, I have experience with coming up with creative and unorthodox solutions to technical problems.

If Google were to select me for the Associate Product Management Internship, I would bring fresh perspective as both a creative and a computer scientist. Thank you for taking the time to read this application. I am humbled to have the opportunity to apply for a program dedicated to such important work in user-centric technological innovation.

Sincerely, Nikkolas