To whom this may concern,

My name is Steven Masschelin and I'm seeking employment with your firm as a data scientist.

I am a recent graduate of General Assembly's Data Science Immersive. During the course I learned the value of how to effectively study and manage data. While I am a newcomer to the field, I find the study of how we generate and use the data to influence decisions to be fascinating, and I am very much looking forward to applying my newly acquired skills in Python, statistics, and machine learning to tackling these problems.

Prior to my enrollment at General Assembly, I worked as a engineering technician for a small civil engineering firm in Virginia. During the course of my work there, I learned several skills, such as how to tactfully deal with contractors, and how to manage and direct people and assets. The majority of my time was spent directly engaging with contractors and providing support services such as concrete and asphalt testing. While the work was not my dream job, it taught me several hard and soft skills that I think would be valuable at your company.

I believe that my background as a geologist makes me a good fit as a data scientist. I have already received the scientific training to analyze data, to think objectively, and to constantly question the outcomes of an experiment. Furthermore geology has left me very well prepared to deal with dirty data, and to build upon data that may be missing information or aspects.

Thank you for your time.

Steven Masschelin