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"Nothing, not all the armies of the world, can stop an idea whose time has come." — Victor Hugo

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Application for ConsenSys Academy's Developer Program

Dear Madam or Sir,

About Me

It was in eighth grade that I received, for my birthday, a book on the Python programming language. I distinctly remember being fascinated by this peculiar idea of communicating with a computer. At that time, however, I wanted to be a particle physicist and thus spent the majority of my time reading about subatomic particles in the encyclopedia. It wasn't until my sophomore year in college that my fervor for coding was rekindled. My Mathematics professor was a proponent for programming TI calculators. He recognized my propensity for coding and encouraged me to pursue it further. After that year, I transferred to a University that offered a Computer Science degree. It is the best decision I have made thus far.

Why ConsenSys?

ConsenSys has established itself as an early pioneer in building decentralized software services and applications on the Ethereum blockchain. It is naturally a prime choice for someone with a strong interest in Ethereum and, more generally, blockchains. Originally, my desire was to work for Google, however, with the advent of blockchains that goal has changed. This novel industry is still in its infancy. Therefore, I have the rare opportunity to be among the first to enter into this field, chiefly, with the knowledge and experience that I would gain from this internship. Blockchain developers have the potential to dramatically alter the course of human history and I want to play a part in that.

Why Me?

I'm a big thinker. A visionary leader. I have the ability to spawn idealistic and ambitious ideas. These ambitions are supplemented by my capacity to effectively communicate them to others with the appropriate amount tenacity. While I'm a driven and self-motivated individual, I see collaboration as essential–always eager to gain insight from my epistemic peers and superiors. I about seven years ago I began mining Bitcoin and, as a result, have had extensive exposure to the concept of the blockchain and the encompassing technologies. Python is my bread and butter. I had the opportunity to work on research project over the summer where I used Python for data analytics and machine learning. In addition, I have been able to contribute to an open source project creating bindings for Etherscan's API. It would be an immense honour to be selected for this internship and I believe that I could be a valuable asset for your team!

Sincerely,

Taylor J. Dawson