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To whom it may concern,

I am a recent graduate of Boston College where I received my Bachelor of Arts from the Morrissey College of Arts and Sciences. I graduated with majors in *Computer Science* and *Economics*. During my time as an undergraduate, I have demonstrated strong academic performance with a GPA of 3.4 and shown I can learn technical concepts quickly and thrive in high-pressure work environments.

As a Computer Science major, I have enjoyed the critical thinking and problem solving that comes with learning Python, Java, C, R, and SQL. Classes like Software Engineering and Database Systems and Applications have taught me to use coding languages to create complex large projects, such as a book re-selling website and the SQL database for an online shopping website. In my economics courses, I have co-authored two student research papers. My first explores how factors like unemployment, income, and population concentration in urban areas may affect crime rates, while my second examines how different degrees of education may affect one's likelihood of marriage and marriage success. Links to my research, as well as links to some of my other projects, are available on my portfolio website, [josephporpora.com](http://josephporpora.com), which I created using HTML and CSS. My mix of coding studies and economic research have fueled my desire to dive deeper into the fields of software engineering and data analysis and the engaging tasks both fields offer.

This past Summer, I worked as a data analytics intern for the non-profit Boston Road Runners. As part of the data team, I analyzed thousands of entries of runner data in Excel to discover trends and create demographic reports for sponsors and donors. As I prepare for an exciting career in the tech field, I am eager to gain valuable hands-on experience. My resume provides more details of my achievements and skills, while links to my projects can be found on my LinkedIn, Handshake, and personal website. I look forward to the opportunity to use my skills to make a meaningful contribution to your organization.

Sincerely,  
Joseph Porpora