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Application for Software Engineering Intern
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Dear Recruiting Team,

Hi! My name is Jay, and I'm currently taking time off from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign where I study Computer Science, to gain hands-on industry experience through internships. I most recently worked at NXN Labs, a B2B Gen AI startup founded by Stanford engineers, initially expecting to contribute on the technical side. However, my role quickly evolved and I was trusted to take on broader responsibilities in a Chief of-Staff-style position. In that role, I worked closely with the CEO in that role and gained invaluable mentorship. I helped navigate the company's Delaware flip, including entity structuring, cap table cleanup, stock option plan setup, and early-stage fundraising strategy. In addition, I was able to wear many hats—collaborating across product, engineering, and operations taught me how to move fast, adapt quickly, and contribute wherever I could make an impact.

I'm now looking to deepen my technical skills through a software engineering internship. While I haven't yet held a formal SWE internship, I've taken initiative to learn quickly and build independently—recently developing a full-stack productivity app from scratch using React, D3.js, Firebase, and Tailwind. I'm eager to gain experience contributing to scalable systems within a collaborative engineering team. I bring strong programming fundamentals, quick adaptability to new technologies, and a growth mindset that thrives in fast-paced environments.

Thank you for your time and consideration, I'd be thrilled to contribute and grow as part of your team.

Sincerely,
Jay Jo