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Dear Recruiting Manager,

I am writing to apply for the UCF CWEP Software Engineer position at Lockheed Martin. I am currently an intended Computer Science major at the University of Central Florida, and I hope to pursue a career in software engineering within the aerospace and defense industry. I am eager to expand my skill set in developing scalable, secure, and mission-critical software systems. My strong problem-solving and programming skills, desire to work and lead teams, and analytical thinking ability will allow me to be a strong contributor to a software engineering team at Lockheed Martin.

I am particularly drawn toward a CWEP position at Lockheed Martin because it will give me the opportunity to enhance my skill set in real-world software development in an environment that emphasizes innovation, collaboration, and cutting-edge technology. I am eager to use my prior experience with object-oriented programming and software development projects to assist Lockheed Martin in its mission to deliver advanced technology solutions that support national security and global defense.

My experiences with team-based coding projects and technical coursework have prepared me to be a successful software engineering intern. As a student developer, I was responsible for designing, implementing, and testing software applications and collaborating with peers using version control systems like Git. Through this experience, I learned how to write clean, efficient code and work effectively in a team environment, which I know will be especially valuable in my work for Lockheed Martin. After working on academic and personal projects, I have developed a strong background in programming languages such as Java, Python, and C++ and am prepared to work with diverse teams from all cultures and backgrounds. Additionally, my work as a project lead for my KnightHacks Project Launch group has taught me about communication, time management, and adaptability. In particular, my experiences with collaborative problem-solving will help me effectively contribute to engineering projects at Lockheed Martin.

I am excited about the opportunity to apply my technical knowledge to real-world defense systems and continue learning from experienced engineers. I am confident that I have the technical, teamwork, and analytical skills to succeed and grow at Lockheed Martin. I would welcome the chance to discuss my qualifications with you in greater detail. Please do not hesitate to contact me by email contact@dylangerhard.com or by phone (407) 900-7397. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Dylan Gerhard