

ANNALIE BRUNS

Young Professional | Innovation & 3D Manager | NL Netherlands to JP Japan

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Profile



Ambitious and internationally minded bachelor's graduate, passionate about languages, cross-cultural communication and East Asia. Fluent in Dutch and English and on her way to mastering Japanese. Currently seeking job opportunities to support the relations between the Netherlands and Japan in Japan through a young and passionate lens.

Career

Sr. Content Manager 3D - Component Management, Simulation Centre Land forces

January 2024 - Present day · Bernardkazerne, the Netherlands
Works Council Member (WCM) · Emergency Response Officer (ERO) · VGB-B

My work consists of managing all the 3D model content within the training simulators, advising on and organizing our local data. I supervised 2 subordinates and we work on production of the models. I am part of multiple work groups where I'm involved with international companies and NATO to give my expertise.

When I started this job, I got the space to establish an effective self-made system and build relations.

I became a WCM and an ERO because I wanted a way to be more connected with the company and to keep up to date with defence developments whilst also being able to contribute to the safety of our work environment. I am also looking to further my first aid knowledge.

Jr. Innovation Employee Education & Training - Ministry of Defence the Netherlands

July 2023 - December 2023 · Du Moulinkazerne, the Netherlands
Confirmed by oath · VGB-C

I got hired to work assertively and self-sufficiently on developing training scenarios for instructors after teaching myself the training programs. The job was a pilot from the Innovation team but turned into a full role within the company due to my contribution and ability to explore expansion of the initial role. Within 6 months I proved the importance of my work and presented the possibilities of the future of the software. I added elements of programming and interactive media to truly elevate the custom scenarios'. All the while preparing to pass down the work to future employees.

I acquainted myself with tasks, responsibilities and options with extensive desk and field research. I was given the opportunity to visit an active training ground and interview our software users and improve the output, prioritizing usability and intuitive design.

After showing my skills in communication, assertion, management, organizing, out-of-the-box thinking, self-reflection and responsibility in this role, I was asked to apply for the role of Sr. Component Manager with a set contract. I scouted my replacement and trained her for a smooth transfer of responsibilities.

International Conferences

SIGGRAPH 2025 · Vancouver

August 2025 · Vancouver Conference Centre, Canada

Conference on the latest tech and graphic developments with a global community. I gathered information about the latest technologies and developments to help improve our workflow.

IT²EC 2024 · London

July 2023 · Royal Victoria Dock, the United Kingdom

ITEC is Europe's largest show dedicated to defence training and simulation. I advised my colleagues on the technical compatibility with our current work field.

Education

BA Creative Media & Game Technologies - University of the Arts Utrecht (HKU)

2018 - 2022 · Utrecht, Netherlands

Propaedeutic year (2019) · Honours · Student Commission member

Focus: Degree of Science for Design and Interactive Media.

Multimedia (Animation & Audio-visual Design) - Regionaal Opleidingen Centrum van Twente, Enschede (ROC Twente)

2014 - 2018 · Enschede, the Netherlands

Student Council Member

Focus: Graphics, video, audio, animation/VFX and web design.

Courses

Japanese-speaking practice - Library Leidsche Rijn

2024 - 2025 · Utrecht, the Netherlands

Focus: Everyday conversation and understanding natural casual Japanese.

Japanese Crash course - Coto University

April 2025 - May 2025 · Tokyo, Japan

1 month crash course Japanese for beginners and intermediates, Shibuya.

Japanese Level 4 Course - Volksuniversiteit Utrecht

2025 - 2025 · Utrecht, the Netherlands

Japanese course intermediate level.

Languages

Dutch – Native

English – Fluent (C2)

Japanese - Beginner (JLPT N5)

German – Intermediate

French – Beginner

Skills & Interests

Multimedia Design

Programming

History & Culture

3D Modelling

Adobe Creative Cloud

Video Editing

Asset Management

Art & Design

Dutch Traditional Costume

Languages

Japan/Netherlands Relations & Events

Extras

Contact with Japan

I am interested in Japanese culture. In preparation for a future stay in Japan, I have been exploring various aspects of Japanese culture by participating in Japanese-Dutch cultural exchange events and festivals. I am creative and enjoy delving deeper into cultural elements through workshops on haiku, origami, calligraphy, and more. Since I began learning Japanese, I have actively practiced my language skills with native speakers and built a network of Japanese friends and acquaintances.

Tokyo Babysitter & English practice buddy

March 2025 - April 2025 · Tokyo, Japan

I was a babysitter and English language buddy for 2 little boys (4 and 2 years old). I also helped their mother with her English practice while staying in the family's house.

Oranda no osusume

I wrote a visitor guide for international visitors, with places in the Netherlands to experience Dutch culture and history.

Nederlands Leren met Anna

I am developing a website for Japanese speakers in my free time to learn the most common Dutch sentences used in daily life with pronunciation guides and voice memos. Try to imagine traveling with public transport, in the supermarket, etc.

Office Birthday Officer (OBO)

I am a sociable person that treasures positive work relations. This is why I made a system to remember and buy presents for everyone's birthday. My unofficial title as OBO is given to me by my colleagues as a result.