

# LAURA KAMBANIS

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Full-stack web developer with a teaching background. Focused on building practical, intuitive and user-friendly web applications which solve real-world problems, with emphasis on mobile-first design and development. Experience in JavaScript, Bootstrap, React.js, MongoDB, NoSQL, SQL, Express.js, React.js and Node.js, as well as responsive web design. Soft-skills gained from previous employment include project management, leadership, teamwork and communication. I'm excited to use my skills as part of a quality-driven team to build better experiences for web-users.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

JavaScript ES6+, CSS3, HTML5, SQL, NoSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, GitHub, Express, React.js, Node.js, Handlebars, JQuery, Bootstrap, MUI- Material Design CSS Framework, Client-Side and 3rd Party APIs.

## PROJECTS

**Maifrigo Zero Waste Recipe App** | <https://github.com/Laura-Kam/Monfrigo>  
| <https://maifrigo-recipe-app.herokuapp.com/>

- Summary: App to create tasty meals using left-over food from your fridge. Ensures zero waste.
- Role: Project Manager of a Team Project.
- Tools: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Server-Side API, MongoDB, Express.js, React.js, Node.js, GraphQL, User-authentication with JWT.

**Sun's Come Out Weather App** | <https://github.com/Laura-Kam/Sun-s-come-out-app>  
| <https://laura-kam.github.io/Sun-s-come-out-app/>

- Summary: Weather app that provides current and future weather forecasts in cities.
- Role: Sole author.
- Tools: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Server-Side APIs.

**Work Calendar App** | <https://github.com/Laura-Kam/Schedule-my-life> |  
<https://laura-kam.github.io/Schedule-my-life/>

- Summary: App that stores events and appointments to a time slot.
- Role: Sole author
- Tools: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, API, Bootstrap, Font Awesome.

**Readme Generator** | <https://github.com/Laura-Kam/Readme-quickly> | Video:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gMWIVDz\\_7tPsQE3zmaHSmv7ZrIBwwHVh/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gMWIVDz_7tPsQE3zmaHSmv7ZrIBwwHVh/view)

- Summary: A Node.js command-line application that dynamically generates a professional README.md file from user input.
- Role: Sole author

- Tools: Node.js, Javascript, HTML, CSS.

## EXPERIENCE

**Targeted Intervention Assistant**  
University of Birmingham School.

**Sept 2022-Present**

**Birmingham, UK**

### Key Accomplishments:

- Developed action plans for ensuring academic progress for pupils with Autism. Coached teachers to embed routines and behaviour for learning strategies with pupils.

**History, Sociology and Spanish Teacher**  
Secondary Teacher, Greensward Academy.

**Jan 2021- July 2022**

**Essex, UK**

### Key Accomplishments:

- **Project Management**- Created a scheme of work for lessons spanning over seven weeks, including a booklet, assessment and all materials to ensure efficiency and consistency across the department. Trained other teachers in implementation.
- **Communication skills** - Ensured that lessons were carefully scaffolded, with accessible explanations built on previous knowledge, including recall activities.
- **Teamwork skills** - Worked collaboratively with colleagues through regular meetings scheduled to share subject knowledge and resources, delegate tasks and to assist other teachers.
- **Problem Solving** - Checking student progress, adapting resources and managing behaviour. Taught students with low literacy in small intervention classes. Resulted in significant improvement in English language grammar and punctuation skills.
- **Organisation and Time-Management**: Extensive long and short-term planning well-executed to ensure daily lessons were prepared along with resources. Reports completed to the deadlines required.

**Various Roles as an English Language Teacher/Assistant**

**Oct 2013- July 2019**

**La Spezia, Italy/ Madrid, Spain**

### Key Accomplishments:

- **Project Management Skills and Teamwork** - working closely with colleagues to produce materials, share successful ideas and ensure resources are kept up to date.
- **Communication and Empathy**- Working with Spanish and International Students, ensuring ideas are conveyed in accessible ways and with cultural awareness. Helping students to overcome blocks in their approach to learning.

## EDUCATION

**2022 Certificate in Full-Stack Web Development**

**Birmingham UK**

**2019-21 Postgraduate Certificate in Secondary History Teaching**

The University of Birmingham , UK

**2010-13 Bachelor of Arts in Modern History**

University of Essex, UK

**Essex, UK**