



Ngelmak-Project — API Gateway Microservice

The **Ngelmak-Project API Gateway** is the entrypoint to the Ngelmak microservices ecosystem. It is built with **Spring Cloud Gateway (WebFlux)** and provides:

- 🔒 **JWT validation** using [JJWT](#) before forwarding requests to downstream services
- 🗝️ **Vault integration** to securely fetch the JWT secret key
- ⚡ Reactive, non-blocking routing powered by Spring WebFlux
- ✨ Developer-friendly features like hot reload via Spring Boot DevTools

📦 Dependencies

Key dependencies used in this project:

- **Spring Cloud Gateway WebFlux**

```
<dependency>
    <groupId>org.springframework.cloud</groupId>
    <artifactId>spring-cloud-starter-gateway-server-
    webflux</artifactId>
</dependency>
```

- **JJWT (JSON Web Token)**

- [jjwt-api](#) — Core API for JWT creation & parsing
- [jjwt-impl](#) — Implementation of JWT API
- [jjwt-jackson](#) — JSON serialization/deserialization support

- **Spring Boot DevTools** — Hot reload & auto restart during development

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⚙️ Features

🔒 JWT Validation

- Incoming requests must include a valid `Authorization: Bearer <token>` header.
- Tokens are validated using JJWT.
- If valid, user claims are forwarded downstream via custom headers:
 - `X-User-Username`
 - `X-User-Roles`

🔑 Vault Integration

- JWT secret key is securely fetched from **HashiCorp Vault**.
- Configured with **AppRole authentication**:

```
cloud:  
  vault:  
    uri: http://localhost:8200  
    authentication: approle  
    app-role:  
      role-id: ${VAULT_ROLE_ID}  
      secret-id: ${VAULT_SECRET_ID}  
  kv:  
    enabled: true  
    backend: secret  
    default-context: jjwt
```

🌐 Routing

Defined routes include:

- **Auth Service (Public)**
 - /api/auth/authenticate
 - /api/auth/register
 - No JWT required
- **Auth Service (Protected)**
 - /api/auth/**
 - Requires JWT validation
- **Truthline Core Service (Protected)**
 - /api/truthline-core/**
 - Requires JWT validation

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🏃 Getting Started

Prerequisites

- Java 17+
- Maven 3.8+
- Running instance of **Vault** (<http://localhost:8200>)
- Downstream services:
 - Auth Service (<http://localhost:4041>)
 - Truthline Core Service (<http://localhost:4042>)

Run Locally

```
mvn spring-boot:run
```

Example Request

```
curl -X GET http://localhost:8080/api/truthline-core/data \
-H "Authorization: Bearer <your-jwt-token>"
```

🛡 Error Handling

- **401 Unauthorized** — Missing or invalid JWT
- **403 Forbidden** — Token valid but insufficient permissions
- **500 Internal Server Error** — Vault or downstream service issues

📁 Project Structure

```
Ngelmak-Project/
├── src/main/java/.../gateway
│   ├── JwtFilter.java          # Custom JWT validation filter
│   ├── RouteConfig.java        # Route definitions
│   └── JwtUtil.java            # JWT utility class
├── src/main/resources/
│   └── application.yml         # Vault + Gateway configuration
└── pom.xml                   # Dependencies
```

👨‍💻 Development Notes

- Use **Spring Boot DevTools** for hot reload during development.
- Logging filters can be added for debugging:

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```
.filter(new LoggingGatewayFilter())
```

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