**About Me**

**Who you are?**

Beatrice is a MA Gender Studies Graduate, who is a black nerd and womanist.

**What you’re doing?**

She’s on a mission to share her inner passion for nerd culture and technology.

**How you got there/here?**

Beatrice has always been a blerdy womanist, even before these two words became part of her vocabulary. She was introduced into the world of game and nerd culture through a Bootleg PS1, emulators, Cartoon Network and Toonami. Through cartoons, anime and manga, this sparked her creative flair.

As an introvert with depression, she turned to video games and art as an outlet. She was an avid fan of The Sims and modifying her Sims using Mod The Sims which lead her to the wonderful world of technology. She tried to create her own mods for her Sims, coded her own backgrounds for MySpace and created own skins for Bebo.

She put her passion for creativity on pause to pursue an academic career in social science. Here she found her passion for intersecting race and gender within society, drawing upon her lived experiences to analyse racial issues within the black community.

**Where you’re looking to go next?**

Emerging from the ashes of depression, she has reignited as a Blerdy Womanist, who is keen to share her passion for nerd culture and technology through a womanist lenses in order to increase diversity within a white male dominated sector.

**Blerdy Womanist was founded by Beatrice and she started Black Womanist to share her passion for nerd culture and technology.**

**Blerdy Womanist is a place for women of colour to embrace their inner nerd and their cultural identit(ies).**