

# Emma Ashley

## Full Stack Developer

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### Me.

I'm a full stack software developer with a background connecting with entrepreneurs and helping their businesses grow. I am a creative problem solver, can think on my feet and am a keen learner. I'm a big fan of fast paced growth environments that allow me to help solve problems, spot new opportunities and enable others to succeed. Adding value and making a positive impact has always been an important part of the work that I do and will continue to be as I embark on my new adventure in tech.

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### Working Stack.

HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Node.js, Express, React, Redux and Redux Thunk, Knex and SQLite3, Jest and Test Driven Development, Enzyme, APIs, Deployment.

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### Skills.

#### Learning

Ability to learn new code bases in a short amount of time and adapt to change.

#### Communication

Comfortable communicating about tech and presenting new technologies to large groups of people.

#### Giving and Receiving Feedback

Ability to listen, iterate and improve.

#### Conflict Resolution

Experience resolving conflicts in the workplace and having difficult conversations.

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## Experience

### Enspiral Dev Academy

June 2018 - October 2018/ Auckland

Enspiral Dev Academy is a full immersion style “apprenticeship on steroids” where you learn to become a full stack web developer in 700 hours. We learnt not only how to use different technologies but how to be part of a team. This was done through pair programming and weekly team projects so we could immediately put into practice the technologies we were learning. We were also taught how to learn quickly, and how to solve problems in creative ways.

EDA has a unique culture that values the human side to software development and established these key values when working in a team:

**Empathy** - we care about people more than machines

**Learning** - we learn how to learn and how to teach others

**Building** - we build beautiful and meaningful things

**Feedback** - we listen, iterate and improve

**Impact** - we celebrate technology that improves communities

### GridAKL (Previously BizDojo)

Community Manager/Community Coordinator

March 2017 – June 2018, Auckland

#### Key Strengths :

My ability to **think on my feet** allowed me to implement processes quickly and without disruption to residents.

**Connecting with people** and being a part of their journey was a key part of my role as a Community Manager.

My **initiative** to implement data collection allowed us to track our growth as a business and **identify key gaps** that we could fill to enrich our community.

My **creative problem solving** methods were helpful when working in a fast paced environment.

GridAKL is part of the innovation precinct in Wynyard Quarter. It is a coworking and collaboration network for interesting humans and the businesses they build. I played a key role in the transfer of assets and clients following the operational transition in late December 2017 from the previous building operator BizDojo. This was an opportunity for me to put into practice my Project Management experience to ensure efficient delivery of commitments to residents, forecasting budget and revenue and project reporting on our progress.

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## Projects.

### The Va

**Product Owner**  
Carmelite Müller

Developed using **React, Redux, Redux Thunk, Node.js, Axios, Express, Knex, SQLite3, Jest**

This project was done over 4 days as part of Pac.Hack, a Hackathon specifically addressing the challenges and ideas of Pacific entrepreneurs. One of the biggest issues facing Pacific people (particularly youth) in the community surrounds mental health and wellbeing. Due to the tapu nature of some subjects like sexuality and religion it can be difficult to find someone you can confide in. This app was created to allow Pacific people to anonymously express feelings in an open, thoughtful and safe discussion.

### Buy My Kai

**Product Owner**  
Zaine Kingi

Developed using **React, Redux, Redux Thunk, Node.js, Axios, Express, Knex, SQLite3, Jest, Enzyme, Pure CSS, React Leaflet**

This project was done over 8 days and was presented at our EDA graduation on the ninth day. Buy My Kai is a web app that connects people through the food we grow in our backyard. We created a platform to make it more accessible to buy, sell and trade produce all year round. To reduce food waste in the community and encourage more sustainable living.

### Tvscape

**Product Owner**  
Emma Ashley

Developed using **React, Redux, Redux Thunk, Node.js, Superagent, Express, Knex, SQLite3, Jest, The Movie Database API**

Tvscape is an app that gives you suggestions on what episodes you should watch from your favourite tv shows depending on how you're feeling that day.

## Asia New Zealand Foundation

Project Coordinator/Office Manager/Administrative Assistant  
February 2013 - March 2017, Auckland/Wellington

### Key Strengths :

My ability to **adapt** to different teams and **work collaboratively** allowed me to work across multiple areas in the organisation and continuously **learn** and develop.

My background in **International Business** meant that I was able to provide a more enriched experience for business leaders visiting New Zealand by facilitating conversations and **sharing knowledge** about the business landscape in New Zealand.

My language proficiency in Indonesian meant that I was able to converse with our Indonesian delegates and **build closer relationships**.

The Asia New Zealand Foundation is a non-partisan and non-profit organisation dedicated to building New Zealanders' knowledge and understanding of Asia. I worked across multiple programs within the four years I was with the Foundation, I really enjoyed my work on the Young Business Leaders Initiative (YBLI) which is a entrepreneurship programme that supports emerging New Zealand entrepreneurs to build connections and facilitate business relationships in Asia.

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## Education

### Enspiral Dev Academy

June 2018 - October 2018  
Full Stack Software Development

### Prince2 Practitioner Certified

2017  
Project Management

### University of Canterbury

2009 - 2012  
Bachelor of Commerce, International Business

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## Interests

### Films

I enjoy watching films and recently watched a documentary about Ruth Bader Ginsburg who is a U.S Supreme Court justice. She overcame great obstacles to make historic strides for women's rights and gender equality.

### Nature

I have lots of small plants and enjoy being in nature.

### NFL

I enjoy watching American Football

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References will be supplied on request