

HARUKA OGINO

FULL-STACK DEVELOPER

I am a former civil engineer with a longstanding passion for STEM fields. Most recently, I have found a deep passion for coding and its innovative potential. Embracing a growth mindset, I seek to learn and improve, viewing challenges as opportunities for growth. Through my journey, I strive to inspire and encourage women to pursue careers in STEM, particularly in software engineering.

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LINKS

🔄 <https://github.com/haruka-ogino>

🌐 <https://haruka-ogino.vercel.app/>

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PROJECTS

Film Michi 🌐 <https://film-dori.vercel.app> 🌐

- Platform where users can discover and share real-world locations featured in films and TV shows.
- Leverages the Google Places API for accurate location data and the Gemini API to generate user-friendly descriptions.
- Aims to **tackle over-tourism**, encouraging travel to lesser-known areas.
- **Next.js, TypeScript, React, Tailwind, Node.js, OAuth (Google), Google Places API, AI Gemini API, SQLite.**

Lucas' Mansion 🌐 <https://lucas-mansion.pushed.nz> 🌐 (group project)

- Virtual escape room with puzzles and clues, developed as my team's final group project at Dev Academy.
- Lead creation of the leaderboard and two puzzle games, **enhancing user engagement**.
- **TypeScript, React, CSS, Knex (JS query builder), Express & SQLite.**

LyricSync *in progress* - <https://github.com/haruka-ogino/LyricSync> (group project)

- Full-stack application project that allows users to save the lyrics to their favourite songs, alongside their translation into the various languages.
- Built alongside a classmate following the completion of my time at Dev Academy, **working as part of a team**.
- **TypeScript, React, CSS, Express & SQLite, Vitest.**

Altinerary *in progress* - <https://github.com/haruka-ogino/aitinerary>

- Full-stack application that centralises meetings for business professionals and suggests activities based on user's location and preferences.
- Conceptualised during Provoke's 2024 **Generative AI Hackathon**, where I proposed a travel planner with location-based activity suggestions, leading our team to **win first place**.
- **Next.js, React, Tailwind, Node.js, OAuth (Google), PostgreSQL, RDS (AWS).**

EDUCATION

NZQA Level 6 Certificate in Applied Software Development, Jan – May 2024

Dev Academy Aotearoa

- Intensive 17-week long full-stack web development program.
- Successfully completed multiple projects in-class as well as personal ones, using **HTML, CSS, JavaScript and TypeScript, Git, React.js, RESTful APIs, Node.js, Knex.js, SQLite, Auth0 and JSON Web Tokens (JWT).**
- Developed strong **teamwork** and interpersonal skills in **collaboration, empathy, and effective communication** through several group projects, pair-programming, and collaborative **retrospectives**.
- Cultivated and applied a **growth mindset**, embracing challenges, learning from feedback and continuously improving technical and interpersonal skills.

Bachelor of Civil and Environmental Engineering (Honours), 2016 – 2019

The University of Auckland

- ▶ **Summer Research Scholarship**, December 2017 – February 2018

TECH SKILLS

Frontend – React

Backend – Node.js / Next.js

Databases – SQLite / MongoDB / PostgreSQL

Version control – Git / Github

Methodologies – TDD / Agile

Cloud – RDS (AWS)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Temporary Site Administrator | Leighs Construction, Jul 2023 – Jan 2024

- Collated Quality Assurance (QA) packages – honing my **organisation** skills and **attention to detail** requesting the required documents from subcontractors.
- Assisted in day to day operations; material orders, document organisation and maintaining templates stocked.

Overseas Travel & Work Experience in Japan Oct 2022 – Jun 2023

- Gained valuable customer service experience working in a hotel and cafe, enhancing my Japanese **verbal communication** skills.
- Travelled to eighteen prefectures in Japan during my ten-month stay, **achieving several personal goals** by visiting places that I had long dreamt about and meeting distant relatives for the first time.

Site Engineer | HEB Construction, Mar 2022 – Sep 2022

- Drafted 3D models to demonstrate construction methodologies for bid proposals, **learning** how to build 3D models on SketchUp by Trimble.
- Managed stakeholders relationships, including subcontractors, designers, and clients. I excelled in conveying complex technical information clearly through **both written reports and verbal discussions**.

Temporary Operations Administrator | Meadowlark Jewellery, Jan 2022 – Mar 2022

- Logged different stages of the jewellery making process using Cin7, showcasing my ability to quickly **learn and adapt** to new systems.

Geotechnical Engineer | Pattle Delamore Partners Ltd, Jul 2021 – Nov 2021

- Conducted site visits which included sampling the ground profile, followed by observation reports, further honing my **formal writing and analytical** skills.

Junior Site Engineer | Fulton Hogan, Jul 2020 – Jun 2021

- Coordinated daily activities across multiple construction sites, ensuring efficient operations.
- **Adapted** to unexpected challenges such as delivery delays and design changes to maintain project timelines and budgets, demonstrating **problem-solving and project-management** skills.
- Managed **QA processes** and documentation from pre-construction through to client handover, including the creation the on-site QA checklist based on NZ building standards, design reports and specifications.

EXTRA – CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

AWS She Builds Mentoring Program, September 2024 – ongoing

- Mentee under the mentorship of an AWS professional, focusing on entering the tech industry, career development, and networking.

TechWomen Mentoring Program, June 2024 – ongoing

- Mentee in mentoring group circle to learn from women in the industry.

10kWomen AI Advantage Bootcamp, August 2024

- Two-week bootcamp focused on AI and implementing it to day-to-day work activities.

Women in Engineering Network (WEN), 2017 – 2021

- Actively participated in the WEN mentoring program within both the Student Chapter and Industry Chapter.
- Volunteered in community activities such as charity bake sales and open-day stalls.

Unleash Space, Newsroom Writer, 2019

- Write blog entries on events and creations made in the space for the website.
- Help at community events.

INTERESTS

Outside of software development, I enjoy learning Japanese, going for long walks with my dog, punch needling, and spending quality time with friends and family.

REFEREES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST