# Kieren Davies

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# Selected work experience

Oct 2021-Mar 2023

**Staff Software Engineer**, *Zivver*, Amsterdam (remote)

#### **Enablement**

Designed, implemented, and documented systems and tools to improve developer experience, velocity, and software quality. Collaborated extensively with product development, infrastructure, and security teams. Guided teams to apply DevOps practices.

- Redesigned critical continuous integration pipelines.
- Implemented automated code quality scanning.

#### Backend

Implemented product features, and ensured the security and scalability of backend services.

- Coached a junior engineer through designing, implementing, and deploying a new service which scales to thousands of update events per second.
- Planned and oversaw an online migration of 100 million records of business-critical data from PostgreSQL to S3.
- Designed, implemented, and verified a new authentication protocol in a single week to land large new customer.
- Established and participated in an on-call rotation.
- Established and organised weekly internal "tech talks".
- Updated the technical interview process, created and refined a new assignment and evaluation guidelines, and ran interviewer training.

Jan 2021-Oct 2021

**Engineering Manager**, *Zivver*, Amsterdam (remote)

Grew and managed a cross-functional team of 8 backend, frontend, and QA engineers.

Jul 2020-Jan 2021

**Senior Software Engineer**, *Zivver*, Amsterdam (remote)

Jan 2019-Feb 2020

Senior Software Engineer, Independent View, Amsterdam

Jan 2017-Jan 2019

**Software Engineer**, *Booking.com*, Amsterdam

Nov 2014-Aug 2015

Software Engineer Intern, Amazon Web Services, Cape Town

Dec 2012-Feb 2013

Software Engineer Intern, Facebook, Menlo Park, CA

## Education

2016 B.Sc. (Hons.) Computer Science, University of Cape Town

2011–2014 B.Sc. Mathematics and Computer Science, University of Cape Town

### **Publications**

K. Davies, C. M. Keet, and A. Ławrynowicz, "More effective ontology authoring with test-driven development and the TDDonto2 tool," International Journal on Artificial Intelligence Tools, 2019.

#### Achievements

2014, 2017 World finalist, ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest