Louise Pike

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Career Profile

A highly-motivated, new full stack web developer, based in Tokyo, Japan and the UK. As a self-taught developer (since April 2021), I enjoy the challenge of continually learning and solving problems and find great fulfillment in seeing code work as intended, or in building something new.

Former English teacher and manager of a large nursery, with a master's degree and experience working with both children and adults.

Portfolio: https://louisep1.github.io/my-homepage/

(GitHub Repo: https://github.com/stars/louisep1/lists/portfolio)

Areas covered:

Frontend: JavaScript, CSS, HTML, React, React Router, Redux/Redux, Toolkit, Sass/SCSS, Bootstrap, Tailwind CSS, DaisyUI, Axios

Backend: Node.js, Express, MySQL, MongoDB, Mongoose, JSON Web Token, Bcrypt

(Tools include: GitHub/GitHub Desktop, Postman, MySQL Workbench, XAMPP, MongoDB Compass, Firebase/Firestore, PayPal Sandbox, Heroku, Jest)

Work (pre-web development)

WinBe, Yaruki Switch Group

English teacher

July 2019 – July 2022

Teaching children at an English language school, facilitating quality student-centred learning with a focus on active language production, organisation of lesson planning, writing reports, event planning and working in a diverse team of Japanese and international staff.

Tinysaurus Nurseries

February 2018 - March 2019

Nursery Manager/Assistant Manager

Running a children's nursery, at full capacity managing 25 staff and looking after up to 100 children daily, constantly problem solving.

Duties include leadership of staff and overseeing tasks, officiating health and safety, training staff, recruitment, marketing, ensuring customer satisfaction of the parents, and dealing with complains and issues. Able to deal with extreme pressure.

Kicks Martial Arts Centre

Receptionist

January 2016 - July 2019

Part-time work as a receptionist at a local martial arts centre. Teamwork and communication were essential to this smaller, family-run business.

Lyndhurst Rest Homes

Activities coordinator

August 2016 - March 2017

The clientele were care home residents, primarily over the age of 65, some of whom were living with learning disabilities. This mean that many were living with some restrictive impact in their life. As activities coordinator, I planned and held an events schedule with the residents' needs in consideration.

Education

CELTA (Cambridge English Level 5 Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) -

Grade A Pass

St Giles, Brighton April – May 2019

MA International Education and Development - Merit

University of Sussex September 2016 – September 2017

BA Childhood and Youth – First Class Honours

University of Sussex September 2013 – June 2016

A Levels (Mathematics, Philosophy and Psychology) and AS level (Chemistry)

Brockenhurst College September 2011 – June 2013

GCSEs (11 subjects)

Bournemouth School for Girls September 2006 – June 2011

Voluntary Work Experience/Other

University Sports Club

September 2014 – June 2016

President of the kickboxing club committee. Managed club member attendence and finances, organised social events, managed the club's social media and actively recruited new club members.

Cedar Centre November – December 2014

As a volunteer at a special educational needs school, I supported students based on their specific needs.

The Libra Foundation July 2013 and July 2014

Worked on an integration project with vulnerable and 'mainstream' children in Romania, during the summer for two consecutive years.

Interests and skills

My hobbies are dance and scuba diving. I enjoy being outdoors. I can speak basic Japanese.