

Rachael Ahern

why I fit in:

Neurodivergent developer seeking an inclusive and diverse company that pays in return for well organized zeros and ones.

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work & education

2021 - 2023 Salesforce Inc • Associate Member of Technical Staff

- Developed features and participated in code reviews in JS, Java, CSS, HTML, and SQL
- Became the first Accessibility Champion for Revenue Cloud (150+ employees) by seeking out and participating in a self-directed training program
- Took **ownership** of epic level projects for the entire **Software Development Lifecycle**
- Provided **instructional** presentations on accessibility testing for **14+ scrum teams** including an introduction to **screen readers** and keyboard-only navigation
- Promoted **test driven development** by creating epic-level manual and automated test plans
- Organized **blitzes** and executed manual tests at both the **API** and UI level
- Created automated tests using JUnit, and Jest **testing frameworks**

Summer 2020 Salesforce Inc • Software Engineering Intern

- Increased testing efficiency and scope for developers by creating a test app in **Kotlin**
- Utilized **Android Jetpack** libraries to allow developers to save and load multiple testing configurations with a single click (staging, production, different locales, etc)
- Contributed UI elements to an SDK that has a projected **five million monthly users**
- Made **creative demos** for a wide audience including interns, teammates, and executives

2019 - 2021 Dalhousie University • Bachelor of Science

- Major in Computer Science, minor in Mathematics



technical skills

Java ●●●●●

Kotlin ●●●●

XML ●●●

SQL ●●●

JUnit ●●●●●

Espresso ●●●●

Jest ●●●●

Jenkins ●●●

Git ●●●●●

Agile ●●●●●

WCAG2.2 ●●●●●

Javascript ●●●



interests



dance



reading



joyful movement



composing



puzzles & escape rooms

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why I stand out:



soft skills

🧠 Fast learner

- Opened Android Studio for the first time on the first day of my internship
- **12 weeks later** had contributed to an SDK used by 5 million monthly users

👉 Concise communicator

- (N/A)

🧐 Spreadsheet enthusiast

- Seriously, I can show you my Google Sheets library. It's impressive.

🌈 Rainbow colour coding advocate

💖 Radically open minded

🍪 Amateur cookie chef

- Red Riding Hood level obsessed with giving everyone homemade baked goods

🍕 Knowledge hungry

- Graduated high school at 16 because I couldn't wait to go to university

🔍 Constantly curious

- Set up weekly Q&A meetings with senior engineers to learn and get answers to my random technical questions of the week
- Was proposed to via an elaborate immersive puzzle game/escape room

🦋 Social introvert

- Created a demo practice group with over 100 members during my internship
- Ran weekly remote volunteer and board game events for folks across several teams, countries, and time zones at Salesforce



transferrable skills

role	skills acquired	how they transfer
Self Employed Tutor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Had both age diverse and neurodiverse students • Taught abstract concepts such as math and music 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching diverse audiences • Expressing technical concepts to non-technical people
Dalhousie University Bachelor of Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major in Theatre (Acting) • Three years of speech class • Created a theatre company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creative problem solving • Public speaking comes easy • Start-up mindset
DustJacket Books Store Owner & Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managed 10+ employees • Moved 70,000+ books between three locations • Created online storefront with no prior experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leadership skills • I am -REALLY- organized. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ See spreadsheet enthusiast • Learning on the fly is my speciality
My Brain Neurodivergence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Normal is a foreign concept • Pattern recognition • Love mundane tasks • Adaptable sleep schedule 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out-of-the-box mindset • Spotting inefficiencies • Will do the "boring" work • Can work in any timezone