

Renee Walkinshaw | { Software Developer }

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{ About Me }

I am a full-stack software developer, with an extensive background in accounting and administration. My tech journey started in London, where I worked for a company who had a huge tech team. I enjoyed learning about the apps our developers were making and knew that this was something I wanted to pursue. Fast-forward to 2022 and I took those first steps, enrolling in online courses with SheCodes.io, attending workshops through She Codes Australia, and completing an online bootcamp with Dev Academy Aotearoa in 2023. I am a curious person by nature. I love understanding how things work, have a real passion for learning and problem-solving, and have discovered a love for building beautiful, responsive websites.

{ Experience }

Software Development Student | Dev Academy Aotearoa (online)

March – July 2023

This 17-week, full immersion bootcamp covers both tech and human skills to ready us for the workplace. Daily we tackled solo and pair programming challenges to practice teamwork and the new tech we were learning, participated in weekly group projects in an agile environment, where we got a chance to practice roles such as product owner and scrum facilitator. We had weekly deep dives into inclusivity, using the ASK framework to give feedback, empathy, and how to speak on new technologies in a group setting. There was an emphasis on adopting a growth mindset which I found incredibly helpful when learning a lot of new information in a relatively short amount of time.

Here's a link to my final group project, [Piano Pitches](#). We created a keyboard where you can upload your voice and then play it on the keys! Tech for this project included: TypeScript, JavaScript, CSS, React, Cloudinary and SQLite3.

Senior Accounts Payable Officer | Charter Hall (Sydney, Australia)

September 2021 – December 2022

In this senior role I was involved in training new team members and the wider company on our expense software (of which I was the system administrator), assisted our tech team with ensuring accurate ETL transfers to our accounting system, managed our OCR software for processing of invoices, created reports using Business Intelligence, along with daily transactional accounting duties for this Australian real estate company who are listed on the ASX.

HR HSE Officer | Paul Smith Earthmoving (Christchurch, New Zealand)

March 2018 – April 2021

I held a senior role where I was tasked with ensuring compliance for our HR and HSEQ processes that were ISO accredited. I was system administrator for our health & safety management software and involved with transitioning to OCR software for processing AP invoices.

Finance Assistant | Trainline (London, United Kingdom)

October 2016 – August 2017

I provided support to the tech department, liaising with managers to ensure prompt payment of invoices to the likes of Apple and AWS. This included complex reconciliations of these accounts and dealing with developers and IT support teams daily. I also assisted with the transition to OCR software for automatic processing of invoices.

Finance Assistant | Ticketmaster (London, United Kingdom)

February 2016 – August 2016

In this role I completed AP and AR transactional accounting duties for Ticketmaster UK and their subsidiaries. This included using Oracle and banking software daily.

Finance Assistant | Antarctica New Zealand (Christchurch, New Zealand)
Jan 2014 – July 2015

This government organisation manages the logistics of running Scott Base in Antarctica. I provided AP and AR transactional accounting duties while in the Christchurch office and spent two weeks in Antarctica helping at Scott Base over the New Year period where I was introduced to how the base is managed by the different teams.

Administration Manager | Harvey Norman (Christchurch, New Zealand)
June 2011 – December 2013

I managed a team of administrators who processed high-volume finance paperwork and invoices for stock, as well as leading recruitment and assisting department managers with daily running of the Christchurch store.

Accounts & Administration Assistant | Armstrong's (Christchurch, New Zealand)
March 2005 – June 2011

I worked across multiple locations for Armstrong's, ensuring correct processing of car sale paperwork, reconciliations of large parts accounts and general office management.

{ Education }

NZ Certificate in Applied Software Development (Level 6) | Dev Academy Aotearoa
July 2023

SheCodes Basics | SheCodes.io
March 2022

Certificate in Bookkeeping | The Career Academy
July 2019

NZ Certificate in Information Technology (Level 3) | Aoraki Polytechnic
December 2004

NZ Certificate in Business Administration (Level 3) | Aoraki Polytechnic
December 2004

NZ Certificate in Professional Office Management | Aoraki Polytechnic
December 2004

{ Key Skills }

HTML | CSS | JavaScript | React | TypeScript | TDD | SQL | Python | RESTful APIs | Accounting | Administration | Collaboration | Problem-Solving | Agile & Lean Methodologies | Diplomacy

{ References }

Available upon request