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What inspired you to pursue the career path that you are on?

After choosing an undergrad course in college that I wasn't passionate about I had a big decision to make. I decided to go back to what I was good at in school: Maths and Science. Through a Masters in Mathematical Modelling and Scientific Computing, I found my career in Software Development and I haven't looked back since.

What does a typical day for you look like?

Working as a lead and software developer on an agile team of 6 people, delivering business value to our client and delivering on my commitments.

How do you continue to grow professionally?

Through the continued support of my peers and managers in Version 1 and by pushing myself outside of my comfort zone.

Tell us about an accomplishment you are proud of?

Achieving a first-class honours in my Mathematical Modelling and Scientific Computing Masters without completing a maths undergrad.

What advice do you have for other women interested in joining your field/team?

Don't be afraid to put yourself out there and take ownership of your own career. You won't know until you try.

Who is a woman that has made a positive impact on your career?

My older sisters. Seeing their drive and determination from a young age showed me that you can accomplish anything if you put your mind to it. They both continue to be an inspiration.

How do you define success?

Achieving my own personal and professional goals and delivering on my commitments.

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