Emelia Smith

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OVERVIEW

An expert in OAuth, Identity systems, and APIs, with 16 years of experience as a software engineer.

My approach to software development is collaborative and open, balancing technical and product needs, team skills, and people. Clear communication and collaboration are core values for me.

Mentoring and pair-programming with co-workers is natural to me, and people have described me as a “prolific developer” in the past.

Skilled in planning and developing technical solutions for longer-term roadmaps, and writing standards documents.

SKILLS & TECHNOLOGIES

Node.js, JavaScript / Typescript, GraphQL, REST APIs, Microservices, Ruby / Ruby On Rails, React, React Native, Cloudflare Workers, Serverless, Next.js PostgreSQL, Elasticsearch, Redis, Kafka, Kibana, Data Pipelines, SRE Principles, Monitoring, Docker, CI/CD, Testing

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

Founder of **Unobvious Technology**, co-author of **OAuth Client ID Metadata Documents** internet draft.

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Senior Staff Software Engineer

Emelia has extensive technical knowledge in multiple aspects of the craft. Hard to find something that she's not familiar with and even when not familiar she picks up the core concepts quite fast.

She actively participated in discussions that were outside of her scope as well, positively contributing to decision making

Pedro Garcia Mota recommended in **April 2020**
Director of Engineering at Quandoo

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Trust & Safety / Standards Engineer
April 2023 – Present • Self-Employed (remote)

Contract Developer at **Bluesky Social PBC**
June 2026 – September 2026 • Freelance (remote)

Contract Developer/Advisor at **Germ Network Inc**
November 2025 – Present • Freelance (remote)

IFTAS Advisory Board
November 2023 – January 2025 • Freelance (remote)

IFTAS Technical Lead
November 2023 – September 2024 • Freelance (remote)

Senior Software Engineer at **Inrupt**
November 2021 – March 2023 • Employee (remote)
SDK & Developer Tools Engineer, TypeScript

Senior Software Engineer at **Yara**
July 2020 – August 2021 • Contractor (remote)

Senior Software Engineer at **Quandoo**
July 2019 – June 2020 • Employee (remote)

Senior Full-stack Developer at **Movinga**
January – June 2019 • Employee • Ruby on Rails, SRE

Senior Full-stack Developer at **Highsnobiety**
July – December 2018 • Employee • Node.js, GraphQL

Senior Software Engineer at **IDAGIO**
June 2015 – July 2016 • Employee • React, Ruby, Node.js

JavaScript Developer at **State**
January 2012 – Nov. 2013 • Employee

Software Engineer at **Pusher**
May – December 2011 • Employee • Ruby, WebSockets

Additional Work Experience prior to 2011