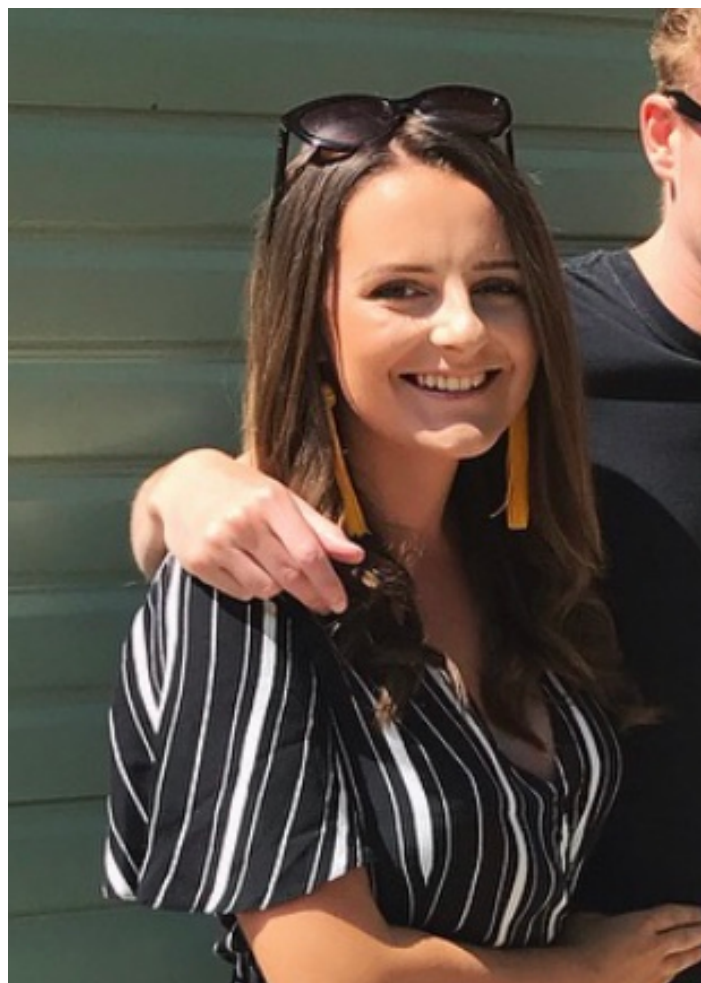


CHLOE HODGSON



Job: Java Developer

Company: Auto Trader

I work on the software used by Auto Trader customers (car dealers). Currently working on a system that allows our customers to efficiently move their vehicles between locations.

Optimistic

Likeable

Curious

The skills I use most in my job...Programming

- Communicating with colleagues in both technical and non-technical roles

The most interesting thing I've worked on in my career so far...I built an app as part of my degree that is now being used internally by our Conference Guild to manage the conferences that Auto Trader

send people on.

What inspired me into digital and tech...I have always loved maths and problem solving but my experience of IT in school was mainly spreadsheets and flow charts. I didn't go to university after leaving college, but I had friends and family that studied computer science and it was through hearing about what they were studying that I realised it would be something I would really enjoy.

My educational background is...Currently completing a Degree Apprenticeship in Digital and Technology Solutions (Software Engineering pathway) at MMU.

What advice I'd give to girls thinking about a career in digital and tech...You don't have to be a stereotypical 'IT geek' to be a software developer!!