TEJ PATEL

Job: Engineering Manager

Company: Celerity Ltd

As an Engineering Manager, I lead a team split into two areas: DevOps and Development. DevOps handles the operational side, keeping the lights on for our services. Development builds new solutions - such as AI and CopyAssure - and explores emerging technologies to create innovative solutions to take to market.

Supportive	Ambitious	Optimistic

The skills I use most in my job... Strategic Thinking

- Problem Solving & Decision Making
- Leadership & Management
- Process Optimisation & Operational Efficiency
- Continuous Learning & Adaptability

The most interesting thing I've worked on in my career so far... Running an Automations & AI Workflows "design thinking" session at Celerity's latest Tech Conference. With AI continuing to dominate conversations across the industry, it was great to run an interactive session to collaboratively start thinking of new perspectives of technology running processes supported by people.

What inspired me into digital and tech... It was probably my dad who first sparked my love for tech. Growing up in the era of evolving technology, he always made sure I had the latest device—whether it was a pink Nintendo DS or a pink PSP!

My educational background is...I left high school with 11 GCSEs and went on to college, where I studied A-Level Information Technology alongside a Level 3 BTEC in Business. After that, I decided to continue my studies at Northumbria University, where I completed my undergraduate degree in Computer Networks and Cyber Security. I graduated in 2022 with an overall mark of 91%!

What advice I'd give to girls thinking about a career in digital and tech... With technology constantly evolving, there are so many different paths you can take, and there's no set journey to follow! Choose the one which sparks your interest. Believe in yourself and always keep the mindset that you can achieve anything you set your mind to.