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#### **WORK**

## **Freelance Developer** — *Self-employed*

2020 - Present

I develop full-stack applications from concept to MVP using Flutter, Next.js and Firebase. Early adopter of AI-assisted workflows.

## Educational Technologist & AI Policy Advisor (Part-time) — *KU Leuven*

2024 - Present

I advise on institutional AI strategy and integration of new technology. Designing and delivering AI and prompt engineering workshops to university faculty and staff. Assisting professors with pioneering AI-driven educational projects.

## Computer Science Teacher & Curriculum Developer (Part-time) — *High School*

2024 - Present

I created and developed Belgium's first open-source Computer Science curriculum for the new high school lesson plan. I built a Next.js platform with Markdown to allow teachers to easily customize and use the curriculum.

## **Founder & solo developer** — *Buddie*

2019 - 2023

I co-founded a delivery service and single-handedly built the entire platform, which included three Flutter apps. Engineered the full-stack infrastructure using Flutter, Firebase, Stripe, and Google Maps APIs. I scaled the service to 1,500 monthly active users, achieving local product-market fit.

#### **SKILLS**

LaTeX

CAD

Java

**Native Android** 

TensorFlow

OpenCV

Python

Flutter

Dart

React

Next.is

Webflow

JavaScript

**Firebase** 

Gemini API

OpenAI API

**Prompt engineering** 

Curriculum design

AI workflow integration

#### **AWARDS**

**AE Smart Cities Challenge** winner - NearByke

Grands Prix de l'innovation -

Paris, France

Finalist - NearByke

Google Developer Challenge Android development scholarship on Udacity awarded by Google

#### **LANGUAGES**

Dutch, English, French

#### **EDUCATION**

## **KULeuven**, Belgium — Master of Mechanical Engineering [module: Air and Space Engineering]

2016 - 2019

Focuses on mechanical engineering in various ways, from engine thermodynamics to robotics. Puts emphasis on the use of various software platforms.

### **KULeuven**, Belgium — Bachelor of Engineering

[Major: Mechanical Engineering - Minor: Chemical Technology] 2011 - 2017

Provided me with a strong base in mathematics and applied sciences. Gave me a problem solving mindset and design and development skills via various projects.

#### **PROJECTS**

### **Open-Source Computer Science Curriculum Platform**

I developed the first open-source curriculum for Belgium's new CS lesson plan, delivered via a Next.js platform that allows other teachers to easily customize and deploy courses.

## Stuffly - Community Sharing App

As the lead developer, I built the MVP for this community item-sharing platform. I used Flutter and Firebase and integrated the Gemini API for AI-powered object recognition to streamline user-generated content.

### **MyTale.Studio** - AI Storybook Generator

I built this web application with Next.js and a multi-step AI pipeline using the Gemini API to generate personalized and illustrated storybooks.

## **Master's Thesis** — Ford Motor Company

Implementation of object tracking and trajectory planning of a UAV, using a vision based approach. Coping with latency issues using Kalman filtering. Combination of OpenCV, C++ and the JNI in an Android application, providing the user a UI to interact with.