

GOLDEN OGBEKA

Senior Software Engineer | Fintech, Distributed Systems & Enterprise Platforms

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Results-driven Senior Software Engineer with 6+ years of experience building scalable fintech, edtech, and enterprise applications across web, mobile, and backend platforms. Proficient in JavaScript/TypeScript, Python, Java, SQL, React, Node.js, GraphQL, AWS, Docker, and cloud-native architectures. Experienced in distributed systems, scalable APIs, CI/CD, operational excellence, and secure software engineering aligned with OWASP standards. Passionate about building customer-focused solutions that simplify complex real-world problems through scalable technology and full SDLC ownership.

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

- Led the ideation, product strategy, and development of A1Quest, a specialized online mathematics learning platform focused on improving learning accessibility and student engagement in Nigeria
- Founded and built The Chicken Universe, a digital marketplace connecting poultry suppliers, vendors, distributors, and customers, growing the platform to over 1,000 registered users
- Contributed to training aspiring software engineers through the Capacity Development Initiative (CDI), mentoring participants across multiple age groups and helping several transition into software engineering careers

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, Java, SQL
- Frontend: React.js, Next.js, Vue, Nuxt, React Native, HTML5, CSS3
- Backend: Node.js, Express.js, REST APIs, GraphQL, Microservices
- Cloud & DevOps: AWS (EC2, S3, Lambda, RDS, IAM, CloudWatch), Docker, CI/CD, GitHub Actions
- Databases: PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Firebase
- Engineering: SDLC, Distributed Systems, System Design, CI/CD, Agile/Scrum, Monitoring, Testing, Code Reviews, Operational Excellence, OWASP Security Standards
- Testing & Tools: Jest, Vitest, React Testing Library, Git, GitHub, Linux/Unix

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer

Rova (FCMB Group), Nigeria | Aug 2024 – Present

- Contributed to rebuilding a corporate banking platform designed to improve enterprise customer experience, operational reliability, and secure financial workflows across Nigeria and the UK
- Developed secure financial modules including bulk payments, transaction workflows, account management systems, and banking operations features aligned with enterprise security standards
- Improved application responsiveness, frontend maintainability, and user experience through reusable component systems, optimized rendering patterns, and scalable architecture practices
- Integrated backend services, RESTful APIs, and authentication workflows supporting reliable financial transactions and customer-facing banking functionality
- Contributed to scalable service integration strategies and frontend architecture decisions supporting secure enterprise banking operations
- Collaborated with backend engineers, designers, and product teams to deliver scalable cloud-native financial solutions in Agile development environments
- Resolved production issues and contributed to application reliability through debugging, monitoring, testing, and operational support workflows

Software Engineer

Alerzo Limited, Nigeria | Oct 2022 – Mar 2025

- Developed and maintained operational systems supporting inventory, logistics, customer, and order management workflows used by thousands of businesses across Nigeria

- Built scalable frontend features and reusable React and TypeScript component systems improving engineering consistency and accelerating feature delivery
- Optimized frontend architecture, service integrations, and application performance to improve responsiveness, maintainability, and operational reliability
- Integrated RESTful APIs and backend services supporting high-volume operational processes, asynchronous workflows, and customer-facing business functionality
- Collaborated across engineering, product, and design teams to deliver scalable enterprise solutions in fast-paced Agile environments
- Resolved production issues, participated in code reviews, and contributed to continuous improvement initiatives across engineering teams

Software Engineer and CTO

Kanaga Technologies, Nigeria | Aug 2023 – Jul 2024

- Led product strategy, technical direction, and end-to-end development of A1Quest, an edtech platform focused on improving mathematics learning accessibility
- Coordinated engineering and product teams to define technical direction, architecture decisions, feature priorities, and delivery timelines
- Designed scalable frontend systems, reusable UI architectures, backend service integrations, and administrative platforms using React and TypeScript
- Contributed to architectural decisions and scalable application design improving maintainability and engineering consistency
- Managed technical decision-making, deployment coordination, testing workflows, and software delivery processes across the product lifecycle
- Implemented engineering best practices including code reviews, collaborative development workflows, frontend optimization strategies, and maintainable architecture patterns

Mobile Engineer

Sterling Bank PLC, Nigeria | Feb 2022 – Jun 2023

- Implemented fintech features supporting Nigerians in diaspora with secure access to banking operations, account management services, and digital financial workflows
- Enhanced mobile applications with secure payment systems, identity verification workflows, transaction capabilities, and card management features
- Contributed to application reliability, observability, debugging, troubleshooting, production support, and mobile performance optimization initiatives
- Integrated backend services and secure authentication workflows supporting enterprise banking operations and customer-facing financial services
- Collaborated with engineers, QA teams, designers, and product stakeholders to deliver secure banking solutions aligned with enterprise standards

Full Stack Developer

Composite Property Development, Nigeria | Feb 2021 – Dec 2021

- Developed a real estate crowdfunding platform enabling users to invest in construction and property development opportunities
- Built frontend and backend application features using React, Node.js, REST APIs, and database-driven architectures supporting customer and operational workflows
- Improved company digital platforms, application usability, and customer experience through redesigned web systems and optimized workflows
- Integrated APIs and backend services supporting business operations, authentication workflows, and scalable application functionality

Full Stack Engineer and Founder

The Chicken Universe, Nigeria | Oct 2019 – Jan 2021

- Founded and built a digital marketplace platform connecting poultry suppliers, vendors, distributors, and customers through scalable commerce solutions
- Developed backend infrastructure, APIs, real-time systems, and cloud-based application features using Node.js and modern web technologies

- Managed the full product lifecycle including architecture, development, deployment, monitoring, maintenance, and operational support
- Implemented authentication systems, payment workflows, service integrations, and scalable platform features supporting day-to-day business operations
- Contributed to product growth through technical ownership, feature development, troubleshooting, and continuous platform improvements

ENGINEERING HIGHLIGHTS

- Experience designing scalable user interfaces, reusable component systems, and maintainable frontend architectures for enterprise applications
- Hands-on experience integrating authentication, authorization, payment processing, GraphQL services, and third-party enterprise APIs
- Experience delivering scalable customer-facing systems through Agile collaboration, SDLC ownership, and cross-functional engineering practices
- Strong understanding of distributed systems, scalable APIs, cloud-native applications, observability, operational excellence, and production support workflows
- Experience contributing to architectural discussions, engineering standardization efforts, code reviews, and technical decision-making processes
- Built and supported customer-facing products across fintech, edtech, agritech, e-commerce, and enterprise technology domains

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

- B.Sc. Computer Science (First Class Honours) | Covenant University (2018)
- Diploma in Leadership Development | Covenant University (2018)
- Organizational Leadership | University of California, Riverside Extension (2024)
- AWS Technical Essentials | Amazon Web Services (2022)
- Management Theories and Philosophies | Unicaf University (2024)
- Digital Marketing Fundamentals | Google (2021)
- Jobberman Soft-Skills Training | Jobberman (2020)