

## Using your Degree

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Since completing Uni I have been working as a mechanical engineer in the resources sector in Perth. I am 1 yr into a 3 year Grad. Development Program and have found a practical use for a lot of what I learnt at Uni.

An engineering degree provides graduates with opportunities in all fields from mining and oil & gas to product design, manufacturing, major infrastructure project developments and banking.

The degree you have embarked on is regarded among the top in the country with Australian Engo degrees highly regarded world wide. This allows total mobility within the work place.

In the next 2 years I will have the opportunity to work onsite in Africa and South America with many other opportunities for travel available in the future if I choose.

The advice I give you is to stick with the degree. The career opportunities at the end of the degree are diverse and the choices available are well worth the hard work you have put in.

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Engineering, in any of its forms, is a degree that tests your commitment and your skills. An engineer comes out of university with a mind set of doing and not just talking. This is what separates us from the commerce student!

Your degree is more than just learning MATLAB, or Kirchhoff's laws, or Steel Structures, or pumps. It will

teach you to solve any problem that you encounter. Your degree is meant to teach you to approach a problem analyse it and solve it. It doesn't matter if it's not in your area, you're an engineer and you solve problems!

Overall your degree will make you an asset to any employer and your skills are worth far more than other degrees at university. Whatever you do end up doing you will take all the skills that you have learnt into the workforce (even those that you may at first find utterly useless).

Finally I'd like to say enjoy university both academically and socially because people skills is worth a lot in the workplace, remember it's not what you know but who you know.

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