

What were the best things about the Institution you attended for you?

Lincoln University suited me as I could focus on the subjects that really interested me and the lecturers made learning fun by including a lot of practical work. I found that I got along with most of the students as we were like minded and came from similar backgrounds. The lecturers were really approachable and were there when you needed help

Were there any negative things about the Institution for you?

If flatting in Christchurch the drive out to Lincoln is around 20 - 30 minutes so car-pooling is a must.

If you lived in a hostel, which one was it? What was your experience like?

I lived in Lowrie hostel. I loved it there as you were placed with 3 other people in a 'pod' and although you had your own space it felt like a little family.

If you flatting how did that go for you? Was it hard to find a flat? Did you have to travel far from your flat?

I flatting for 3 years with multiple people and it was great. Flatting was some of the best times in my life and I was so lucky to find awesome people to live with. It was never hard to find a flat in Christchurch however the drive to Uni every day could get tiring.

Did you manage to work during your study? What did you do for jobs?

I worked part time as a house cleaner I would clean between 2- 4 houses per week.

Did you manage to get a job that related to your degree?

I managed to secure a job around 1 month after finishing at Lincoln. In my first job I was able to learn a lot and put my study to practice which was great.

How did that happen? How easy/difficult was it for you?

I was lucky to have a friend who knew of an agricultural consultant who needed a new employee. He then contacted me and conducted some interviews before I secured the job. Looking back I think I was relatively lucky that I found it easy to land my first job. I have many friends that have been to many interviews.

Would you describe your job as your dream job for your qualification?

I love my current job and the people I work with however I don't think I would describe it as my dream job for the fact that I would prefer to be outdoors and working with animals a lot more.

What are your plans for your career going forward?

I plan to work my way up in the business, either working in the field or becoming a business manager in the future.

If you could go back and change anything in Year13 what would you change?

I would do a little more research into what I want to do with my life. Lincoln University turned out to be the place to be for me however it took me a year to figure this out.

If you had any advice for a Year13 student what would that be?

Do your research. If you really can't decide on what to do don't rush into anything, take a year off to think about it. You'll be amazed on what a year can do.

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