

STUDENT STORY



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Qualification:

Bachelor of Applied Science & Masters of Speech Pathology – 2021

Why did you choose your degree and what do you enjoy the most about it?

To be completely honest, I very much fell into my degree. I knew I wanted to be in paediatric health or education, so my wonderful Mum recommended that I give Speech a try and here I am! The most enjoyable parts of my course were those where I got to build trusting and effective relationships with my students/clients. There is such an indescribable joy to having a little tacker trust you enough to open up and work through a therapy session with you.

How important is having the CUC in your local town to you and why?

Due to COVID and a lack of Metro placements, I moved back to Wonthaggi for the last six months of my degree. The CUC has provided me with a space and community that facilitates learning – things I simply wouldn't have been able to access otherwise. I'll tell you what, double monitors are the best study tool I never knew I needed! It was great to run into and study in person with (new & old) friends who were also attending CUC, when all of the friends I had made in uni were only accessible online.

What advice would you give to other regional and rural people who are considering higher education?

People may look like they have everything under control, but very few do. Stop worrying about what everyone else is doing, give everything YOUR best, laugh at yourself, and try to have fun while you're doing it.