

STUDENT STORY



Josh

Area of study:

Graduate Certificate in Cyber Security

Why did you choose your field of study?

While working as a senior project manager, I stumbled into running a project to align an organisation with the ISO 27001 standards, which are the cyber security standards recognised around the world. From here I wondered what a career in the space could look like and how the project management skills I have could assist. I then proceeded to look for a cyber security course, did some research and came across the Charles Sturt program.

How important has CUC Bass Coast been to your studies?

Since enrolling at CUC, I often spend evenings after work to have some quiet and dedicated study time. It also provides the ability to complete proctored exams, and having access to all the tools (excellent internet, great computers and technology) has just motivated me and makes the learning experience even better.

This study truly has been made possible thanks to the work of the Country University Centre in Bass Coast, a campus that a number of years ago I sat on a round table discussing how it could benefit the region and the need for such a facility.

How do you plan to apply your knowledge and skills after graduation?

In regional and remote areas access to quality cyber security professionals is far and few. This means many small or medium business and NGO's often don't have the means to deploy cyber safe practices or have an understanding of the importance behind it. This means there are plenty of options and already being based in a regional area provides a unique perspective to the challenges faced. The sector is expanding in a significant way and with demand for cyber security professionals through the roof, it's been a great journey to kick the next phase of my career into.