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Rachel Dudok's journey

- Today International Sales and Business Development Manager
- Aviation Australia
- 2017 Diploma of International Business
- 2015 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment
- 2012-14 Diploma in Aeroskills (Avionics)
- 2007-12 Apprenticeship - Aircraft Maintenance Engineering
- 2007 Left Uni engineering degree after 2 years



I'm International Sales and Business Development Manager for Aviation Australia, but how did I get here?

Rachel's story

I was good at maths and physics at school so went to Uni to study engineering, but I wanted something more hands-on. I've always loved aircraft so I found a way to combine engineering and my passion for planes, and became an apprentice aircraft maintenance engineer with Qantas.

After trying both Uni and vocational training, I found I much preferred the on-the-job learning that an apprenticeship provides. I gained confidence each day and benefitted from putting theory into practice straight away.

As part of my apprenticeship I completed a Certificate IV and then gained a Diploma in Aeroskills (Avionics). I then added a Certificate IV qualification in Training and Assessment so I could be a workplace trainer.

Recently I decided to take my industry expertise in a new direction and studied a Diploma in International Business.

**I'm now doing things I didn't think I could ever do.
VET has really helped me develop throughout my career
and given me opportunities I wouldn't have
been exposed to any other way.**

**“The skills I have learned make
it possible for me to work
anywhere in the world.”**