



Facilitator

So thinking back to your recruitment then, what role would you say your international study experience played in that process?

Carl

in terms of the skills, just again being able to get on with people from a range of different backgrounds and cultures, to understand people who range from different backgrounds and cultures.

But also to have that visceral experience that you can tell people about that yes I have not only lived overseas, but I moved to Canberra for my cadetship last year. So I could tell the people in my interviews that I know how to move to a new city, I know how to move there, make friends, make connections, make contacts, which is all really important for what I do in journalism.

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so do you think that they looked at your international study abroad experience favourably, or how did that influence the recruitment from their point of view, if you know what I mean?

Carl

I think the biggest benefit came in my graduate job, that first job out of university, which was when I got into the cadetship. one of the questions they really laboured with me in the final interview was how are you going to adapt to moving down to Canberra?

As part of this job we're going to move you around a lot, and we're going to move you to Canberra and then probably regionally. This year I'm in Adelaide, so if you're going to be moving around a lot, do you think you can adapt, do you think you'll be okay? I can say that I can draw on that experience of going to Vancouver and saying look, yeah, I have done it before. I have been able to go overseas and adapt over there, so I'm sure I could do it here in Australia.