

Ideal start at CPIT

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Fuelled by a long-term interest in electronics, Troy Batters decided to pursue it as a career, and found the Bachelor of Engineering Technology at CPIT gave him the ideal start.

Having begun his studies at university only to find the environment wasn't for him, Batters says he was attracted to CPIT by the smaller classes and style of teaching on offer.

"I found that university was too theoretical for me and that the hands-on approach offered at CPIT suited me better. I also felt I could gain a better understanding of all topics at CPIT due to the smaller classes and the ability to get more one-on-one with the tutors, which sometimes isn't possible at university."

Being able to regularly apply the theories being taught was also a plus for Batters.

"After two years at university where the focus was largely theoretical, it was great to be able to see the theory in action. The project in the final year was a huge strength of the course as it really helped all the students to learn many skills applicable to the real world."

Having completed the degree, Batters beat 25 other applications to gain a position as a production technician at EDAC Electronics, repairing and testing the production runs of the company's auto dialler product lines.

"The Bachelor of Engineering Technology really gave me the skills to understand how the circuit works and to be able to troubleshoot quickly. As a result of the wide range of topics offered on the programme, I also now have the skills necessary to make suggestions for process improvements in day-to-day production as well as in other areas of business."

He has big plans for applying his degree in the future.

“I’d like to move into a design role for several years to gain more experience before starting up my own business developing products for sale on the international market.”