

Who are the women involved in STEM?

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Who I find inspirational

I love studying aviation and can't wait to work in the industry. I'm inspired by my lecturers and mentors who have shown me how many career possibilities there are.

Professional

Day-to-day work and skills

Problem-solving and working in a team

Personal

Current location and community

Studying and living in Melbourne

My interests and hobbies

I love to read, bake, take photos and travel. Plane watching is also lots of fun!

I am passionate about

Aviation

What I would say to 16-year-old me

“You can do anything but you don't have to do everything – so do what excites you.”

I always felt like people expected more from me, and when I first considered a career in aviation I was pushed to be a pilot – even though my interest was more in the management side of the industry. I followed my heart in the end, but I just wish I hadn't worried about it so much.



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In high school I choose a variety of subjects that I loved and found inspiring, including Maths, Legal Studies and Visual Design!

I picked a university degree that excited me and where the lecturers have industry experience.

I made an effort to talk to my lecturers, who have been really inspiring and have helped me figure out my specific interests in the aviation industry.

I try to make the most of all opportunities, which has afforded me some incredible experiences.

My university studies have allowed me to experience aviation operations around Australia and in five countries overseas!