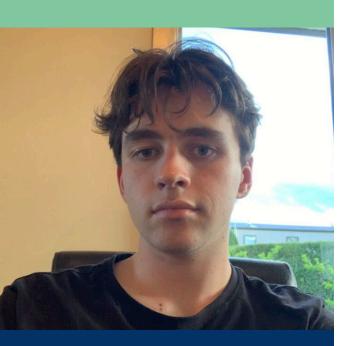
WORK EXPERIENCE PROFILE

Giovanni Austin-Moorhouse

Half day with NAYLOR LOVE CONSTRUCTION

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 For MAC student Giovanni Austin-Moorhouse, working in the construction industry was something he was keen to do when he finished school, but he wasn't really sure what it would be like in reality.

To help him gain a better understanding of the construction industry, Giovanni decided to do work experience with Naylor Love, a commercial construction company providing services throughout New Zealand.

"Doing work experience gave me a better idea of what working on a construction site is like," says Giovanni.

"I learned how to understand and measure architectural drawings and experience first hand what a quantity surveyor does on a daily basis."

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Giovanni says he also enjoyed being able to talk with the entire project team, not just the person who specialised in the area he most wanted to learn about.

"Being able to speak to a range of different people in different roles helped me to understand how their roles fit together to get a construction job done.

"It also helped me understand how the work of a quantity surveyor fits into the bigger picture."

Naylor Love Construction Manager Tim Stewart says that doing work experience can give students important insights into the day-to-day operations of a business.

"When students come to us, it can help them find out more about what a career in the construction industry would be like.

"Sometimes, it can even lead to a young person getting a job within our company."

Giovanni says he would definitely recommend doing work experience to other students.

"It doesn't matter if you're not sure what you want to do.

"Getting an understanding of what a job is like and finding out what you enjoy and what you don't enjoy, gives you valuable information to help you make choices about your future career pathway.

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