

WISE PROGRAM STUDENT PROFILE

Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology, 2015 – 2017

In 2016, in her second year of a Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology, Emina Mujanovic joined the WiSE Program.

“I first found out about this program when I got a letter in the mail about it. It appealed to me straight away as I didn’t really know which direction my degree was going to take me.”

At the time, Emina’s career goal was “to do something in the IT field, like working for a mobile phone company or IT support, or even becoming a secondary teacher.” In the WiSE Program, she said she hoped to “gain more knowledge and experience in the course that I am studying so when I am finished my course, I know exactly what direction to go in.”



Emina Mujanovic at Graduation

After joining the program Emina learned that “WiSE also allows you to connect with your peers and get to know some people that are in the same situation and lets you expand on your social and leadership skills; and much more.”

Emina also learned about two important career-related platforms from her first year in the WiSE Program.

First, she says, “I got introduced to Career Hub which then had a huge impact on me. I could find different jobs, whether on campus or off campus. I took this opportunity to look for different jobs that interested me. At the time I had a retail job but wanted a job that was more suited to my degree.”

Emina secured a part-time job that was advertised on CareerHub. She says, “I worked on campus doing IT support which I really enjoyed. This job was something that interested me and could help me further development my IT skills.”

Emina’s second discovery was LinkedIn. Through an online WiSE Program exercise, she learned how to create a LinkedIn profile and use LinkedIn to network. At the time, she said, “So far I have more than 500 connections which allows me, when I finish my degree, to search for connections and see who can help me.”

In 2017, the final year of her degree, Emina’s career goal had changed to “IT Support, finding a job which I love doing and being surrounded by a good team of people.” While studying, she continued working in IT support, building her technical and professional skills.

Now graduated, Emina has remained at Western Sydney University. She is employed in a permanent, full-time role assisting academic staff with the university’s learning management systems. She will soon commence working on new technologies and learning pods to support new curricula that is being introduced at the university. Emina also works on a casual basis for a computer company in Sales. “It’s what I’m interested in, so it’s more of a hobby than a job,” she explains.

Emina says, **“I am grateful to have joined the WiSE program. This program has helped me in numerous ways and if I didn’t join the WiSE community I would not have known about such opportunities available.”**