

## My Student Experience in Year 2020

It has come to the fourth quarter of year 2020, this year seems not to be a fortune year for all of us because of the pandemic Covid-19. However, life goes on. Many people in different industries are struggling and working hard during this critical moment, same goes to student and lecturers especially when entering the world of technology in learning and lecturing.

I have been away from the university for about nine years, after few years working life; I have decided to further my studies in Master qualification to improve my knowledge and skills. Eventually, I would like to fulfill and achieve my target of life to obtain Master qualification.

While I was preparing and ready to move out from my country to Australia to further study, unfortunately both countries have locked down. It sounds upset for me, but I did not give up. When I resigned from my workplace, I have been informed by the university that the teaching method will change to online classes. I was so surprised and not confident to accept on it. Hence, I have deferred for about two terms until I pursued myself not to waste time and take it as challenge. Maybe I am old fashioned, prefer to on campus.

When the class commence, what I can say is all about technology. At first, I really struggle on it because I am not a person kind of interest in new technology. But after a while, I am able to adapt myself in this situation even it looks awkward when all time facing the laptop for online classes. I take it positively, unbelievable that I manage to adapt and learn new things. In future, if anyone share or comment that whether I have encounter in new learning technology skill. I would proudly say 'yes'. Sometimes, we just need to be positive, all the things happen there will be a reason behind.

Of course, online classes there might be an issue occurs when comes to time zone and group work. We are unable to meet on campus, all from different countries around the world. Time zone is one of the key factors hardly to match with. I am lucky that my classes are in the morning until afternoon according to my time zone. The major challenge I have faced about group work. We all know that group work must have teamwork and responsibilities. If lack of it, it might screw up the team. All you need to motivate the team member if there is something wrong, be honest to share and improve together.

As a student, what we need to know is about responsibilities, teamwork and time management. Besides, when I feel tired or unhappy, I will go for a ride or sleep. Sometimes, when I was down, I happened to see a rainbow. It cheers me up and reminds me of 'be positive'. Nothing will go wrong forever, just cheer up. Hence, my motto is 'keep the faith, be strong'. Remember that 'positive thinking is not only about expecting the best to happen, but it is also about accepting whatever happens is for the best'.

Cheers,  
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