

MEDIA RELEASE

6 August 2021

SAE grads grab chance to upskill at Lennox Wave

Over the last year, COVID-19 has decimated the music and audio industry in Australia with an estimated \$300 million loss in revenue. With opportunities at many venues, festivals and events currently limited, up-and-coming audio and music professionals have found it difficult to find work. Two recent alumni of SAE Creative Media Institute, Courtney Parmenter and Dylan Brockington, have bucked that trend by securing positions at community radio station, Lennox Wave. Courtney and Dylan caught up with us to share how they got their foot in the door and what they've learnt on their journey.

Hi Courtney and Dylan, what did you study at SAE?

Courtney: We both studied the Bachelor of Audio degree...

Dylan: ...specialising in studio production.

What did you enjoy about studying at SAE?

D: I liked that I could access the studio whenever I wanted and the degree was very hands on. All my lecturers were really engaging and I always made sure to listen, do my work, grow, and make the most of the opportunities given to me.

C: I don't know if I could pick one thing, I just really loved the whole journey at SAE - I really didn't want to leave at the end! I learned so much at the Byron Bay campus, the people I met were amazing, the lecturers were super knowledgeable, it was an all-round great experience.

Did you always want to study audio?

D: I've always been into music, and interested in DJing, so I just fell into it. I like to dabble in anything creative; like music, film, and photography.



ANIMATION



AUDIO
& MUSIC



CREATIVE
INDUSTRIES



DESIGN



FILM



GAMES



WEB &
MOBILE

How did you come across the opportunity at Lennox Wave?

D: Courtney actually told me about it!

C: It was advertised on the SAE alumni and student Facebook group, and I thought it might be a good chance to learn some new skills, so I got in touch with Milt at the station.

What have you been doing at the station?

C: We both do the programming and scheduling of shows. Given it's a community radio station and there's no live DJ, we line up what's going to be played through an online platform. I've also done a bit of digital file converting and things like that as well.

What skills have you learnt whilst you've been at Lennox Wave?

C: Aside from programming, I've learnt how a radio station works behind the scenes. All those digital audio classes at SAE have helped with file management, so that has certainly been good.

D: It's been a really good introduction to the different aspects of radio, and it gives you an understanding of what's expected in a professional environment.

What are your future plans?

D: I'd really like to use the skills I've learnt to produce podcasts at some point.

C: I'd like to immerse myself in as much audio work as possible. Get a taste of all the different audio fields and see where that takes me.

SAE is the place for creators and innovators; the leaders in creative media education across seven disciplines – animation, audio and music, creative industries, design, film, games, web and mobile. Find out more at sae.edu.au

For more information:

Barry de Silva, National Communications Manager

Phone: 0498 004 023

Email: b.desilva@sae.edu



ANIMATION



AUDIO
& MUSIC



CREATIVE
INDUSTRIES



DESIGN



FILM



GAMES



WEB &
MOBILE

Imagery: Dylan Brockington and Courtney Parmenter



About SAE

SAE Creative Media Institute is the place for creatives and innovators. Since 1976 we've been the leaders in creative media education across animation, audio, creative industries, design, film, games, web and mobile. Every year, we support more than 10,000 students globally to develop the skills and experience needed to carve successful careers. Students enjoy access to the latest technology and are taught by industry-experienced faculty, while putting their skills to the test in small class environments. Our graduates become part of a highly-respected global community of creatives that's been around for over 40 years. We pride ourselves on being technically explorative, transformative and brave through our range of creative media programs, from short courses and professional training through to bachelor and postgraduate degrees. In Australia, our programs are delivered at campuses in Sydney, Brisbane, Byron Bay, Melbourne, Perth and Adelaide. SAE is a part of Navitas Pty Ltd. More information about SAE is available at sae.edu.au.

About Navitas

Navitas is a proud Australian company that pioneered an innovative university partnership model of education in Perth in 1994. Its entities have delivered education programs across the country since 1976. Further information about Navitas Pty Ltd is available at navitas.com.



ANIMATION



AUDIO
& MUSIC



CREATIVE
INDUSTRIES



DESIGN



FILM



GAMES



WEB &
MOBILE