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AARON SEES HIS FUTURE IN PRINT

Aaron Traynor

Age:

19

Program:

4th Year Print Finishing
apprentice

Company:

Chippendale

Breaking the boredom barrier

In Year 12, Aaron became bored. He wanted to do something hands-on.

A family friend suggested work experience at Chippendale Printing where she also worked.

That was three and a half years ago and now Aaron is well on his way to a great career in the printing industry.

“My parents didn’t want me to leave school without something to go into so I thought I’d see what the printing industry was all about,” explains Aaron.

He is now almost at the end of a 4-year apprenticeship in Print Finishing which includes binding, folding and stitching.

Aaron loves the variety in his work.

“I could be using any of the machines at any time - one day on the stitching machine and then binding. There’s so much variety - you never get bored,” says Aaron.

Aaron will very quickly tell you what he loves about his job - it’s the detail involved.

“If you don’t pay attention to what you’re doing on the guillotine then all the work that has been done prior to this is ruined and that can cost a lot of money for the company,” observes Aaron.

Aaron constantly pushes and challenges himself to be faster and more skilled in his job.

He prides himself on being able to multitask and is keen to learn more about the industry.

His hard work and dedication was recognised by the Graphics Institute in his nomination for Graduate of the Year from all the printing apprentices in his course.

So what about the future for Aaron?

“I’d like to get more skilled in my job and continue at TAFE and get my Certificate IV,” says Aaron.



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Aaron is set for a successful future in printing

At 19, Aaron's dedication and commitment to traveling a fair distance to work has paid off.

Aaron says, "I own my own car and am looking to buy a house soon. I love my job and can see a great career for myself."

Want to get a job in printing just like Aaron?

You could start an Australian School-based Apprenticeship in Printing and Graphic Arts (Printing).

As an apprentice, you complete your studies in class and on the job. You may be able to fast-track your career by starting your apprenticeship while you are still at school.

Entry requirements vary, but employers generally require pass marks in Year 10 before they will accept you as an apprentice.

Websites to visit for more information:

Find out more online from:

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Qualifications and training pathways

- Certificate II and III in Printing and Graphic Arts (Instant Print)
- Certificate II in Printing and Graphic Arts (Print Production Support)
- Certificate II and III in Printing and Graphic Arts (Screen Printing)
- Certificate III, IV and Diploma of Printing and Graphic Arts (Printing)

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