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YOUR CAREER IN LANDSCAPING

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Certificate III in Parks & Gardens
– **Brooke's Blooms** –

Why did you choose the landscaping industry for your career?

Originally when starting with Brooke's Blooms I didn't choose a career in landscaping as I started as a labourer prior to joining the military.

What drew you to the training course you have studied?

After my deployment from the military, I came back to Brooke's Blooms and found a passion and love for what I do now and after years of experience but no formal qualifications, I didn't hesitate to complete the course to help cement my knowledge and improve in areas I could learn more in.

What do you like about working in the industry and being part of a team?

I love working in and around the beautiful properties of Brisbane and love seeing a hard day's work come together and am proud of seeing the properties I look after develop and change for the better. Another passion I have discovered is helping to develop the maintenance team at Brooke's Blooms and seeing each worker improve their skills and learn from not only myself but other workers through the support and guidance we can provide them – it is very rewarding!

Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

In 5 years, I see myself still working at Brooke's Blooms and helping to continue to develop other workers and train them up to not only provide their skills but help them find the love for what they do.

What advice would you give a school leaver considering their career options?

The Landscaping/ Horticulture industry is a great career to step into straight out of school. Landscaping is not only a rewarding career path, but also has many transferable skills that can be learned and perfected on the job which can help you laterally transition into landscape design and landscape architecture.

There are many different avenues that can be taken within the industry which keeps things exciting and progressive. I would highly recommend a career in landscaping if you love working outdoors, working in a team environment and working on creating a more sustainable environment.