

Transcript

Title: Aimee Stanton on turning your passion into profit

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I like to sell my day by waking up before the crack of dawn you just feel a lot better about yourself. I think getting up at that time it really shows what there is in life and you get to see the sun rise. And I'm really organised so I love writing in my diary all my goals and what do I want to achieve.

I decided to do the course in transition from beauty therapy to plumbing because I could not paint nails. I wasn't enjoying it and my dad's a builder and he's like 'well you want to come work couple of days on the tools?'. And then I loved it, and I'm like this is what I want to do. I want to do a trade.

I get my motivation from looking at other people's lives and they're not happy with where they're at and I think to myself well everyone has a chance to change where they want to be. Go out and change. Like the world's your oyster. TAFE definitely changed my mindset. Going to a TAFE where you can do the hands-on stuff. You only have to push yourself that makes you really appreciate it and want to learn new things and really get out there and give it a crack.

In the end you're always going to find your passion it may take you longer than you suspect like lots of people think they have to come out of year 12 and go on and do a career and work that career for the next 40 50 years but it's not like that at all you've got to test out different things to see if you like them and see if you want to do that. And when you have that spark that you're enjoying work and being there that's when you know you've found your passion nature definitely makes me feel centered and I think everyone needs that these days you go out in the Big Smoke and your work you just feel like you never get some time to yourself so it definitely calms you down and really makes you grateful for the little things in life.

When I first started looking into courses at Swinburne I thought 'yes I'm gonna do an apprenticeship, after that I'll go out and chase my dreams. So I feel like if you have something like that under your belt you've always got it to fall back on later. So I did my apprenticeship and now I'm out chasing my dreams.

Swinburne helped me level up and let me take a step out of my comfort zone and I think that's the first thing you have to do to achieve extraordinary things in life just get on it and do it now 'cos it was the best thing I ever did.