

Age seven was the time I truly developed a nosy nature with science. At that age it was the experiments that took place in the classroom that caught my attention, big bottle rockets and methane bubbles amongst a colourful array of others we tried ourselves. I gained a curiosity for old planes and pretty cars - I wanted to know how they worked. Having a couple of engineers already in the family certainly helped in answering my questions.



AGE 7



AGE 11



High school opened up a world of possibilities. I had enthusiastic teachers and people willing to push me forward and help me get to the places I wanted to be. I wanted to be a pilot or a palaeontologist or a politician or....at this point I didn't really know. I began delving into the 'steampunk' subculture - I began learning about Manchester and the rise of Cottonopolis, of the growth of my home city as a giant of manufacturing.

Joining the Air Cadets tapped into my old love of anything with wings or blades and fuelled my desire to know more. There was a wealth of knowledge around me and people willing to share what they knew. I went gliding twice and was lucky enough to be given all of the information I needed behind the science of flight and how the little gliders we put all of our faith into worked.



AGE 14

The beginning of college was a little bit of a bumpy patch in my road. I'd selected options I thought would get me into the places I wanted: Maths, Physics, History and English. Over the course of the first year my confidence in Maths dwindled until I dropped it. Luckily the remaining three subjects were things I loved; I have a wild imagination in English and an adoration of History that knows no bounds.

AGE 16



College ended on a high: I'd gone to London, seen the Freud museum and met Philip Zimbardo - the man behind the Stanford Prison Experiments.

I realised towards the end of my college career that academic learning just wasn't going to cut it for me. I wanted to meet people that were doing incredible things on a day to day basis. I took matters into my own hands and applied for places that I thought would be a challenge. I never thought a big company like Siemens would give me a chance. It was a surprise to me when the interviews rolled around - they didn't quiz me purely on my college results... they wanted to know who I was as a person and how much I was willing to learn and develop in the workplace. They wanted to know what they could do for me. I was ecstatic!



AGE 18



I'm a year and a bit into my Customer Care apprenticeship with Siemens and to date I've seen most parts of the business - no area is safe from my nosy self. I'm seeing our innovations in everyday life, even when I'm not in work. I finally have the answers to the questions my seven year old self was both fascinated and dumbfounded by. I'm gaining the knowledge and tools to answer my own questions in the future.

CURRENT



FUTURE



Admittedly I'm not set on where I want to be in the future. No matter my role, I want to be engaged by what I'm doing and doing something different frequently. I want to travel and see places and people that can only inspire me further. I'm excited for my future at Siemens, no matter what it brings.