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Secondment to PERTH

What influenced your decision to be seconded to Perth?

I have often pondered on the experience of living and working in a foreign country. When an opportunity for a secondment in Perth arose, I seized it without hesitation. It has proven to be one of the most rewarding decisions and a truly exhilarating chapter in my professional journey.

What type of work did you undertake while on secondment?

As a senior audit executive in the Audit Division of Pitcher Partners (Perth) ("PP"), I was involved in audit planning, execution and also finalisation of listed entities with financial years ending in June.

PP provided me the exposure to new industries and audit methodologies that has helped me to enhance my skills and knowledge.

How do you think this secondment will impact your career?

The secondment to Perth provided me with international exposure, showcasing my ability to adapt to different work environments and cultures. The skills that I have acquired during this secondment, whether they relate to adapting to new business practices, collaborating with a diverse team, or navigating different work cultures, can significantly enhance my skill set.

Beyond professional development, this secondment has contributed to my personal growth. Living and working in a new environment can foster independence, resilience, and a greater understanding of myself, all of which can positively influence my overall well-being and effectiveness in the workplace.

How did you make friends during your secondment?

The Friday morning coffee breaks serve as a social gathering, bringing colleagues, friends, and even solo coffee enthusiasts together. It's a time where we share stories, catch up on the week's events, and foster a sense of community. The relaxed and friendly ambiance of Perth's coffee establishments makes this break an opportunity to strengthen social connections.

Attending games or matches involving local teams or major sporting events can be a great way to connect with friends. Many sports events in Perth also offer a festive atmosphere with entertainment, food, and socialising opportunities.



What was the highlight of living and working in Perth, as opposed to visiting the city as a tourist?

Perth boasts a variety of stylish bars and pubs scattered across the city. Whether you're into rooftop bars with scenic views, trendy cocktail lounges, or classic pubs with a laid-back atmosphere, there's a diverse range of options for a casual night out. Living in Perth rather than just visiting as a tourist provides a more immersive experience, allowed me to discover unique aspects of daily life in the city.

What was the best thing you ate during your secondment?

Morning coffee is a MUST in Perth as it is known for its vibrant coffee culture. The city boasts numerous specialty coffee shops and cafes that take pride in serving high-quality coffee.

Berry muffins is also a popular treat. They are favoured for their moist texture, bursts of fruity flavour, and the use of locally sourced berries.

What has been your most memorable or valuable experience at your secondment?

After completing my secondment at Pitcher Partners, I decided to extend my stay in Perth for an additional week to enjoy a vacation with my boyfriend. We took pleasure in wine and brewery tours from Perth's Central Business District to Margaret River, savouring the diverse offerings of this renowned wine and beer region.

Trigg, Yanchep, Meelup, Eagle Bay, Cottesloe and many other beaches have treated me to breathtakingly beautiful scenes and sunsets, adding to the overall charm of my time in Perth. Experiencing the freezing winds at Injidup and Canal Rocks provided a unique sensation, making it a memorable part of my journey. In essence, Perth is incredibly picturesque and brimming with attractions!

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