

st marys women

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I remember my time at St Mary's as being very busy. I was involved in lots of extra curricular activities including sport and music, but in particular I spent a lot of time debating. Critical analysis and public speaking are two skills that are very important, no matter where your life may lead.

At school I enjoyed Maths, Physics and Chemistry, so I went on to study Science and Engineering at the University of Western Australia. At the completion of my degrees, I joined Woodside Energy as a graduate instrument engineer.

Being an engineer in the oil and gas industry has led to a wide range of experiences including flying via helicopter to work on offshore platforms in the North-West of WA, commissioning control systems for multi-million dollar pieces of rotating equipment, attending training courses in Europe and working with the loading of giant LNG ships which carry gas to Japan and China. For the last four years I have worked at the Karratha Gas Plant and I am currently the Instrument Engineer for the

Domgas section. Since this section of the plant supplies around 60% of Western Australia's domestic and industrial gas needs, it is very important that we have reliable production and this is a large focus of my work. Every day brings different challenges, but this also makes my job both interesting and rewarding.

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