



Living the dream?

Finding the courage to change career path

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the
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**The risk is
worth
fulfilment**

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My Background

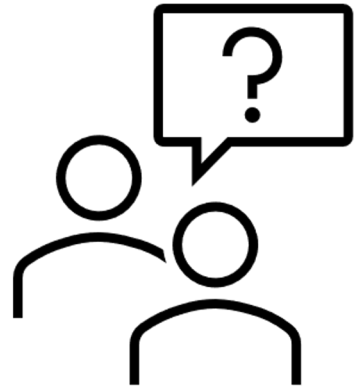
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Reasons for Wanting Change



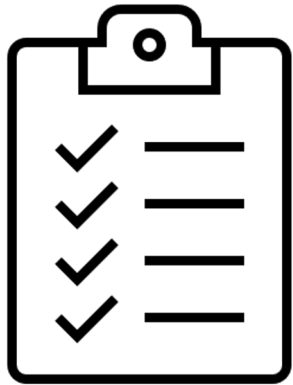
“What made you want to change career?”



It wasn't one thing!

- The job was not what I expected, I missed the technical challenges I experienced at university
- I couldn't see a role I wanted to aim for within the company
- I found it hard to fit into the company
- I felt embarrassed explaining my job to others
- ...and a lot more.

Turning negatives into positives



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I made being challenged a key criteria in my job hunt

- I couldn't see a role I wanted to aim for within the company

I looked for a long term path of my next role, not just short term

- I found it hard to fit into the company

I looked deeper into companies values

- I felt embarrassed explaining my job to others

I looked for a job that I could be proud of

- ...and a lot more.

Finding my current Role

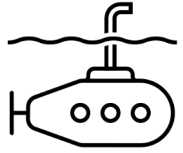
Over a 5 month period I was able to find a role for me, on the graduate program at Veramed.



Hurdles



What made my decision harder



- Sunk Cost Fallacy

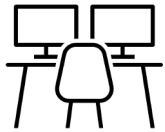


- Transfer skills

- The risk of a new career being the same



- The worry of failing yourself and others

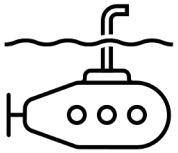


- Being a risk leaving one graduate program to another

Retrospective Lessons



Retrospective lessons



- Sunk Cost Fallacy

I work actively to identify situations where it could occur.

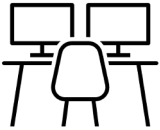
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Though some skills were transferable, not every skill was transferable.

The experience gained from being in the working world was my most valuable asset.

Retrospective lessons



- Understanding what fulfils you

Education systems mainly measure performance in terms of reaching targets. This can result in knowing *how* to do well without taking into account your enjoyment of it.

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