

**Warwick Penrose
Alumni**

I was in the military for thirteen years, and I specialised in bomb disposal, and I specialised in chemical, biological and radiological bomb disposal, whilst I was in the military.

The year before the Olympics, I started my MBA at Griffith, so I was at the bottom of the Sydney Olympic Stadium on duty there, but also at night studying part-time.

It's a global economy now, and the world's getting a lot smaller.

Griffith helped me to understand, I guess, the marketing, to try and market to international organisations, to win resources. Now, this wasn't from a business thing, this was just for an NGO, but the principles were exactly the same. At the end of the day, that organisation needed to be funded, we needed international support and Griffith really helped me understand that the mechanism to try and sort of create, to win that support for that organisation.

The experience I had with Griffith was very beneficial, in terms of, just lets me understand, that there's different options out there. I guess we all try and apply the common sense solution to any problem, organisational problem, that you may have, and I think what a university degree, or a business Masters, helps you to do, is understand that there are options out there, and there's probably two or three different ways to apply different methodologies, to get an outcome that you're after.

Griffith Uni has been an outstanding organisation, in its flexibility. As I said, you know, I've been on counter-terrorism duty at the Olympics, I've been overseas training, I've been on UN, or NATO missions in Bosnia. I've always had contact with Griffith during those times. I've submitted assignments you know, in accordance with what I could do from those various commitments that I had. I would definitely recommend Griffith University.

You know, real managers, real problems, and it was just a terrific course to be part of.