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Owen is one smart cookie who chose software engineering simply because he could see that there was a great future in it! Sure, he had an interest in computers, but he says at the end of the day, it was the many job opportunities on offer and the excellent pay rates that were the deciding factors.

Owen completed a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science at the University of Canterbury, followed by a Postgraduate Diploma in Science. “I did the postgraduate diploma because I wanted to get a qualification that would help me stand out from the crowd.” It seems to have paid off – Owen landed his first job at Hindin straight out of university.

After just two months in the industry, Owen’s already finding his role extremely satisfying. “I get tasks assigned to me like enhancing a part of the product or fixing a bug. It’s all about helping customers and that’s what’s really rewarding.”

According to Owen, the other great thing about his job is that the company is putting him through some pretty cool training and it’s something he thinks will really benefit him down the track.

So what does Owen have to say to someone considering an ICT career? “There’s such a huge amount of jobs and huge opportunities, so just do it! Make connections with people in the industry and try to stand out from the crowd.”