## Media Release

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## Lloyd's designer career started at TAFE

TAFE courses are renowned for providing hands-on, practical skills in real-world environments at a fraction of the time it takes to undergo a degree. This reputation is what drove Lloyd Hodgkinson, a now successful interior designer at John Croft Design, to choose a Diploma of Interior Technology at TAFE Queensland Brisbane.

"I had heard great things about TAFE, it focused on the practical side of decorating and the course was only two instead of four years long", he said.

During his studies Lloyd undertook work placement at John Croft Designs, a multi-award winning interior design company and was offered a position when he graduated.

"I cannot recommend this course more highly. The teachers were great and I made some life-long friends who I am still in contact with today. I learnt everything from drafting to building and furnishing selections.

Eight years later, Lloyd is still working at the same company and believes that TAFE gave him the boost and industry knowledge and experience to get him started.

"I didn't even need to go onto further study as the TAFE course was more than what was required to get into the industry," he boasts.

John Croft Design is one of many leading interior design companies that work closely with TAFE Queensland Brisbane. They have a long history with TAFE and have welcomed a number of TAFE student graduates into their work family.

"Another TAFE graduate, who studied the same course as me has been here for over 15 years," Lloyd said.

With its long history and extensive experience, TAFE Queensland Brisbane continues to stand out among the training providers for its uncompromising quality and best-practice approach.

For information how you can enrol and get started on your own designer career contact TAFE Queensland Brisbane on 13 72 48 or visit tafebrisbane.edu.au.

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