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Why did you decide to join Pacific Life Re? What attracted you to the company?

The office is a pretty good bonus (even though access is restricted at this point) – most of what I heard about Pacific Re was positive in terms of the way it encouraged creativity and innovation. That has all proven to be true and I'm extremely happy with the choice that I've made.

How did you find the virtual onboarding process?

The team made every effort to make me feel very welcome during lockdown, introducing me with virtual coffees and cocktails – but we had a lot of fun interacting virtually, despite the quality of my internet. All in all, it was an A+ grade experience, and I think the smoothest onboarding process I have ever received from a technological perspective.

Describe Pacific Life Re in 3 words

Friendly, creative, driven.

What did you want to be when you were growing up?

A Baker. Because bread is amazing – that was before I found out you had to wake up early.

Where did you start your career?

I started my career at AIA Australia – in the group pricing team there. Before that I worked at KFC – Finger Lickin Good.

What does a typical working day look like to you?

These days we are quite involved in pricing work – there is a lot of consolidation between superannuation funds which creates opportunities for the pricing team in Australia. There is also a lot of analysis and judgement-based decision making but for the most part I spend my day on Microsoft Teams chatting and working with the Pricing team.

What are your hobbies outside of work?

I love video games and hanging out with mates. I'm also a big fan of eating delicious food and drinking delicious beverages!

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