

Case Study 1

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Holding a South African electrician qualification gained in December 2017, and later moving to Australia and gaining permanent residency, having worked in the electrotechnology industry (in South Africa and Australia) for 13 years the candidate had been exploring how to get their overseas qualification and experience recognised.

After initially contacting VETASSESS, they were met with long waiting periods which resulted in them not progressing at that time. Then at the end of 2023, whilst attending an Electrical Trades College information (zoom) call, the candidate was informed about the ETAUP Program as they met the eligibility criteria and were encouraged to apply.

The candidate has generally found ETAUP positive, with minimal challenges. They found the initial ATCS process straight forward and well managed by Future Skills International. They did experience a minor communication issue when applying for their provisional tradespersons certificate with the Office of Fair Trading, but nothing that significantly impacted their progress.

Currently employed as an overseas trade worker, they will commence the gap training course shortly and anticipates that having their qualification recognised will facilitate their career advancement. They look forward to climbing the career ladder more swiftly once their credentials are formally recognised in Australia.