

ESTERO STAR ALUMNI SERIES

WITH **NISCHAY GUPTA**, ENGINEERING (PG)

"People in New Zealand are very warm and welcoming. It feels like everyone accepts you."

SNAPSHOT OF MY LIFE IN NEW ZEALAND

- Employed by QuiverVision Ltd as a Sr. Consultant
- Facebook Certified Digital Marketing Associate
- Amateur Ham Radio Technician Class License holder
- Yellow Belt in Martial Arts Kenpo Karate
- Met & collected memorabilia of over 50 International Cricket Players
- Created AR filters on Instagram and Facebook with over 21,000 impressions till date



Nischay Gupta went to New Zealand in 2018 to pursue a Master degree in Engineering from the University of Auckland - New Zealand's leading university. A graduate with a degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering from India, Nischay had a couple of years of work experience on him when he decided to explore study & work opportunities overseas. Today, he is working as a Senior Consultant with one of the biggest Augmented Reality company in New Zealand. His success story and his journey in New Zealand is an inspiration to people who aspire to study in New Zealand.

Like many students, for Nischay Australia, Ireland and Germany were the first choices of study destinations to pursue his higher studies in. But, after meeting the counsellors from Estero New Zealand at one of the education fairs in New Delhi, he was introduced to the opportunities that New Zealand has to offer. On doing his part of research around the university choices and programs that were recommended by the team; Nischay decided to initiate his application process for the University of Auckland. Nischay's decision of studying in New Zealand viz a viz. his first choice of study destinations was based on a few important factors such as the study program, and opportunities attached to it, University's world reputation and the low fee structure. Nischay validates from his personal experience of how welcoming the people of New Zealand are and he feels New Zealand be an inclusive society.

Nischay advises that the first 6 months can be very challenging. Finding good accommodation, adjusting to new education & teaching methodology, managing day to day routine chores while making sure he is on top of his studies - were some of the challenges he faced. But, preparing well before

leaving for an overseas destination can definitely help, he mentions. What helped him was the close proximity of his accommodation to the university alongside access to supermarkets and public transport.

He has some great things to talk about the University of Auckland too. Being New Zealand's leading university, Nischay stresses on the fact that the University provides a number of resources to its students to be successful. The people at the University were quite welcoming and made him feel at home. He found his University professors and peers very supportive. He talks about CDES at the University of Auckland - the career development centre that helps students with building CVs, conducting mock interviews, relevant workshops etc. He believes that the constant support he received in preparing for his interviews helped him land an internship which consequently converted into his current full-time job. New Zealand education system is not about spoon-feeding. New Zealand promotes critical thinking and learning by practice.

In terms of employment, Nischay advises an individual to be flexible. He mentions that an individual needs to be flexible when approaching the job market. There are people at the universities and peers who are ready to help. But, it is the proactive attitude of an individual which will make him/her utilise the available resources to make sure they are on the right path. He concludes on employment opportunities by saying, "we might receive a hundred rejections, but what we want is just one yes and it is the patience and hunger for it that will make a big difference."

In the end, Nischay sheds some light on the role of an education consultant in a student's life who is planning to study overseas. He believes he wouldn't have been where he is without the support of Estero New Zealand. He mentions the team's end to end support from career counselling to visa.

Nischay has not only excelled in his academics but has also made a mark as an all-rounder. On one hand, where his travel experiences have made him live richer, his achievements across sports, internships, martial arts and finally bagging a full-time job has definitely made him a Star Alumni.

"Estero provided me with end-to-end support right from the counselling, university application, visa application to post landing assistance. Meeting Mr Garg in New Delhi has been a life-changing moment for me."

Nischay believes that moving abroad for a Masters degree is a self-liberating experience. He had the option to pursue his post-graduation in India, but he chose to challenge himself to move out of his comfort zone in order to achieve his self-goals. He knew what he wanted to achieve and he believes effective career guidance helped him set a career path for himself. Today, he finds himself to be independent, self-sufficient and an individual with an enhanced personality. He believes studying overseas comes with a package of learning alongside responsibility. We get the freedom to live our life on our own terms while managing our everyday chores.

Nischay recommends engineers to explore New Zealand as their choice of study destination. He feels New Zealand has a lot to offer and is a promising destination to build a sustainable career.



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