

# Meet Maria Malvicini

A Senior Technician with UTech, currently working on the redevelopment of Griffith Base Hospital.



*In support of the NSW Government's Hard Work Knows No Gender awareness campaign, we sat down with Maria to find out why she is pursuing a career in construction and what she enjoys about working on site.*

## **What are your qualifications, Maria?**

I actually studied physiotherapy in my home country, but working abroad in Australia I am currently a Senior Technician in the construction industry.

## **Please describe your current job?**

I am running cables and installing fire stoppings.

## **What's the best part of your job?**

I am learning new things every day and doing things I didn't know I could. I love working with people from other countries.

## **What sparked your interest in a construction career?**

I wanted to get out of my comfort zone.

## **What skills and attributes do you need for your role?**

Patience. Willingness to learn. Openness to new experiences.

## **For those interested in doing work experience in the construction industry – what would you recommend?**

You can do it - just try. You need to pay close attention and listen to your partners on site – they want to help you.

## **Your advice for those considering a career in construction?**

Don't be afraid!