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Adnan Ali, 34, who hails from Islamabad, Pakistan, is a telecommunications engineer who previously worked for Nokia but now works as a technical lead in Redken, a reputable Canadian company based in Malaysia that provides telecommunications software solutions.

Adnan has over 10 years of technical experience and travels overseas frequently for work. He felt the need to acquire advanced management knowledge and boost his career progression by pursuing an MBA. Therefore, he sought an opportunity to work with a reputable management business school that offered a program in his pursuit for a recognized MBA degree.

Adnan says, “My initial biggest challenge was to adjust to a new environment and culture which could provide me the flexibility and accessibility of studying from different location, at any time and anywhere, while I was even working on the course around my hectic work life.” “After comparing my first experiences with different universities, I found AeU as the most ideal university that fit my needs.”

Besides being affordable and flexible, one of the main reasons I chose AeU over others was that there was a good mix of online and conventional MBA. “This MBA program is really a good blend,” Adnan says. “It provides a good business understanding, supplemented with course mates from various industries including banking, finance, agriculture, automotive, food and pharmaceuticals background.”

Adnan took the blended learning mode at AeU which includes face-to-face, online and self-managed learning. “When I was working overseas and could not attend the weekend classes but could catch up with recorded videos of lectures, with an excellent mix of professional learning materials that enabled me to study in trains, airports and hotel rooms without missing out on any class.”

Adnan adds, “the learning process of obtaining MBA from AeU was a life changing experience for me.” “Coming from engineering background many facets of business were new to me.” Initially, I had some difficulties but lecturers and peers became a good support system throughout my stay as a student. The support was tremendous. It gave me opportunity to step ahead and reflect on what I had, how well I did, and area for improvement.”

I completed the MBA program in terms of both professional and personal development.”

Adnan testifies, “the MBA at AeU is an incredibly valuable experience; it has enabled me to develop my management skills. I learned to take a confident and positive approach in effective decision in making, and develop my debt-coping, and ‘never say never’ mental strength”. “It also helped develop my leadership and general management skills.” “It was beneficial for me as I gained immediate value and return on investment with AeU’s MBA.” “I found this MBA

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a milestone in my professional and personal life.”

AeU continues to be the most valuable part of the AeU MBA learning experience. The ability to create expanding networks and engage with students from diversified nationalities, cultures and backgrounds and from other industries.

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