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**CWNE # 369**

## What is your level of industry experience?

Have been working in the Wi-Fi industry for 10+ years

## Where did you receive your training/education?

A mixture of classroom-based training and online videos.

## When did you first become interested in wireless?

When I started working in on Wi-Fi support helpdesk and getting exposure to go and shadow Wi-Fi engineers whilst they used Ekahau to do Wi-Fi site surveys.

## What certifications do you currently hold?

CWNE #369, CWNT, CWNA, CWDP, CWSP, CWAP, CCNA R&S + Wireless, ECSE Design, Mist Master, CMNA, Ruckus Wise.

## Why did you choose the CWNE path?

I believed that being a CWNE is recognized as one of the top certifications in the industry

## How long have you been involved in the CWNP certification process?

Since 2015.

## What was the hardest part of the whole process and how did you overcome it?

CWAP for me was the hardest as I had not done much packet analysis before, so I spent 6 months self-studying every day with online videos from CWNP & then I attended a Peter MacKenzie training course.

## What would you say to anyone considering a CWNE designation?

Go for it - it is a lot of hard work but it is also extremely satisfying & I personally had a lot of fun on the way. From attending amazing classes with Peter Mackenzie to attending WLPC conferences & engaging with the wireless community to help build my skills.

## What value will your CWNE provide to you, your clients, and/or your company?

Confidence & the reassurance that I know what I am talking about when engaging with a client - as well as credibility from achieving such a prestigious certification which currently less than 400 people in the world hold.

## To whom would you recommend the CWNE program?

Anyone who is interested in designing, implementing or troubleshooting wireless. No matter what level you are - set some clear goals & timelines for what you want to achieve - then go for it!