Anne - Technical Team Lead

From trainee technician to team leader, Anne is always moving forward.

Anne had a plan. "When I was at school I wanted to be a radiographer." Between school and college, Anne applied for jobs to gain much-needed interview practice.

"I wanted to be prepared before applying to Radiography School so I applied for a few technical roles. To my surprise I was offered a job as a trainee technician in one of those interviews and the rest is history. 37 years later and I'm still here."

Thanks to years of dedication and professional development, Anne is now Technical Team Lead at the Department of Neurosciences at Sheffield University.

"I lead a team of nine technicians to deliver technical services to the department. I'm responsible for biological safety in the department and have learnt a whole range of technical skills on the job."

Anne never lost focus and began by studying Biological Laboratory Sciences at Richmond College in Sheffield.

"I gained the best grades in the region and was chosen to receive my qualification in London from the Duke of Kent."

Anne has been at Sheffield University since 1980, working her way up through technical grades to get where she is today.

In 2010, Anne became team leader.

"When I'm travelling to work, I never know what the day will bring. Once the Queen came to the university and we were searched by sniffer dogs before she even arrived!"

1980
Finished school with 10 O Levels

1980-1983
Trainee Research Technician

1984
Gained HNC in Medical Laboratory Sciences

1983-1988
Research Technician, Department of Medicine and Pharmacology at the University of Sheffield (UoS).

1988-2006
Senior Research Technician at UoS

2006-2010
Technical Lead, School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at UoS

2010-Present
Technical Team Lead, Department of Neurosciences, Sheffield Institute for Translational Neuroscience (SITraN), University of Sheffield

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