

## Learner Case Study

### Digital Industries including Creative Digital, ICT and Print

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#### Wendy's Story

Wendy gave up her full time job in order to begin to study on the Foundation Degree in E-Technology and began a part time role at ASDA Headquarters as a PA/Secretary. Wendy also has carer responsibilities for her grandfather.

According to her tutor, Wendy is an outstanding student who is consistently at the forefront of every module she undertakes and her dedication to her studies is an inspiration to all her peers. Wendy supports her peers with advice and practical help and is a very cheerful positive member of the group. She received an average of over 70% for all her modules last year and is well on the way to doing so this year too. A group project was organised to raise money for Cancer Research, Wendy's enthusiasm was endless and she actively used every means possible to secure some fantastic prizes which raised £1000 for the charity whilst contributing to everyone's assessment.

Wendy has a demanding job which whilst part time is very much a full time role crammed into a 3 day week. Due to a restructure in ASDA she is now using her knowledge gained during her degree to good use as a project manager. This was recognised by her immediate boss and helped secure her this position. This means working very long days and despite this is still succeeding on her Foundation Degree.

Wendy is also a dedicated carer for her grandfather having lost her grandmother to cancer during the first year of her Foundation Degree. This involves going to see him every day, shopping and preparing meals and generally seeing to his welfare whilst managing her studies and a job.

In June 2009 Wendy won a Learner Award at the West Yorkshire Adult Work-Based Learning Awards.