



Liz Dunlop

Training & Capability
Manager

What did you study and how did you end up working for Diageo?

I completed a Diploma in Business Management & Administration at a local SERC college, spent 7 years working in Stock Control & Wages. Joined Diageo in 1991 in a temporary role as a Document Controller supporting the Quality Department and was made permanent. I have continued my career within Diageo having the opportunity to be involved in many project roles and have completed various Leadership, Management, Auditing and Coaching qualifications.

What function do you currently work for?

I'm currently the Training & Capability Manager. The site is part of the manufacturing arm of Diageo, the world's largest drinks company that owns and markets brands that include Guinness, Baileys, Smirnoff and Johnny Walker. The site produces over 17 million cases of packaged beer per annum and employs approximately 140 people operating on 24hr/7 day shift pattern.

The function of training and development is to support the achievement of the business's strategic goals, primarily through Induction programmes, Technical and Compliance Training & Personal Development.

What previous roles have you had with Diageo?

My first role in Diageo was a Document Controller implementing ISO Standards as part of the site's Quality Management System. I had the opportunity to be involved in a number of project and secondment roles and moved into the Training Function as the Training Co-Ordinator and was involved in implement the Training Management System before progressing to the Training & Capability Manager.

What would you say to someone considering a career in Diageo ?

There are many paths that lead to the one place, and I have found each role/project both challenging and rewarding and provided me with opportunities to learn and grow in knowledge and confidence. Diageo provides a great network of talent who really see personality and character as key talents, not just what you've studied or worked in previously.