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Why did you decide to join Air Products?

Air Products is the leading industrial gas company in the world. Getting hired as part of the Career Development Program was an incredible opportunity, because it gave me the flexibility to try out different jobs functions and discover my strengths and weaknesses.

Why do you love working at Air Products? What is it that keeps you working at Air Products?

I love working here because of the company culture. Air Products is devoted to developing its people. One way it does this is with its "tell me more" tagline; internally, it encourages employees to have a conversation and learn more about each other's career paths and find out how much Air Products has to offer across its different divisions.

Please describe your career with Air Products to date.

I was hired as part of the Career Development Program. My three rotations included Process Controls Engineer in Port Arthur, Texas (a hydrogen and CO facility), HyCO Operational Excellence Single Point of Contact and Helium Operations Engineer. All three assignments included a variety of problem solving, design, project management, change implementation and team leadership.

How does what you do contribute to sustainability?

My current job as a Supply Chain Analyst for the North America distribution team directly impacts how Air Products improves its sustainability performance. We are leading the implementation of the tactical planning model to optimize the production and distribution supply chain for our industrial gases offerings.

What is the most intriguing/satisfying thing you've been involved in since you've been at Air Products?

I can name three: The Port Arthur I and II HMI upgrades, supporting multiple plant shutdowns and receiving my Lean Six Sigma Green Belt certification.

What career advice would you give to those just starting out in their engineering career?

Explore your strengths and weaknesses and work hard at them!