

Speech training helps you get ahead

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Simon Angelo (right) accepting SpeechSchool.TV's trophy in the Technium Challenge International from Lesley Griffiths, Deputy Minister of Science for Wales, UK. -- Picture supplied

You may be well qualified, have good grades or be experienced, but is your accent or the way you speak English holding you back? According to a recent study, a majority of employment recruiters discriminate against candidates on the basis of non-standard accents, often without even realising it.

Now two online courses, based at the ecentre at Massey University are

available to help people gain confidence through clear English speech that makes the right impression or to learn the techniques of persuasive communication.

SpeechSchool.TV has worked with a large number of students around the world who access their online video training and assessment system through their website (www.speechschool.tv). Head Teacher, Simon

Angelo says the site has been popular with Indian communities in New Zealand, Australia and the UK.

"We have had excellent results with people wanting to soften their accents and speak in clear, Standard English. It does take time but the results can be life changing."

According to Mr. Angelo, SpeechSchool.TV set out to develop the world's best course in spoken English from day one,

and this has been recognised with the site winning two important awards, firstly from the Telecommunications Industry Group here in New Zealand and then in the UK based Technium Challenge International.

The cost to join SpeechSchool is approximately \$40 per month and for this the student receives a weekly video lesson with an expert voice coach, recordings and exercises they can download for daily practice and access to Speech Assessments where they can have their speech and accent graded on a regular basis to monitor progress. All the student needs is access to broadband internet and 10 minutes a day to practice.

Steve Corbett, CEO of the ecentre at Massey University says that SpeechSchool.TV is a tool which has universal application to those individuals looking to improve their English speaking skills. "I've been in business a long time, I've worked in many countries and worked with many cultures and in my observation those individuals with whom I have worked who have succeeded are those that have developed good communication skills. SpeechSchool is a tool which enables those individuals to learn and improve their English speaking skills at a time which is convenient to them."

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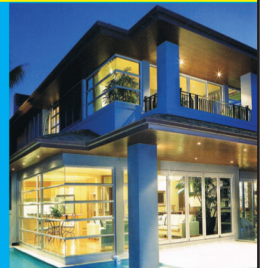
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