



Dipna Anand

Subject studied at TVU: BA (Hons) Hospitality Management

Graduated: 2007

Current employment: Assistant Manager, Brilliant Restaurant, Southall Middlesex

'The BA and Masters were both very well structured and they gave me a thorough theoretical knowledge about the industry together with the relevant practical experience. The lecture sessions were interesting and the lecturers were very supportive,' said Dipna.

After graduating, Dipna was inundated with numerous job opportunities, all of which she turned down as she was keen to work in her father's restaurant, Brilliant, in Southall.

At the age of just 24, Dipna is now an Assistant Manager at Brilliant Restaurant and also a part-time chef lecturer at TVU, teaching the Indian cuisine module to BTEC students. Her role at Brilliant has been to bring about many changes in terms of menu planning, particularly in light of the healthy options Indian menu

she had recently created. As an Assistant Manager, she is in charge of managing the front of house, which involves delegating duties to staff, overseeing the business, solving problems, looking after customers, dealing with catering/banqueting enquiries, working with the head chef to produce new recipes and menu ideas and managing accounts and finance duties. Her role as a chef lecturer at TVU involves constructing interesting and engaging modules for students.

Dipna added: 'TVU is one of the best experiences I've had and an education at TVU definitely enhances your chances of getting a good job, as it did for me! University education requires a lot of hard work and focus, and the reward that comes with achieving such a goal is indescribable and well worth the journey. My advice to potential TVU students is to: Go straight and turn right to education.'