## UniFiji Alumnus Appointed First Secretary at Fijian High Commission in PNG

The University of Fiji alumnus, Mr. Paulo Daurewa was recently appointed the First Secretary at the Fiji High Commission in Papua New Guinea (PNG). Mr. Daurewa graduated with top honours bagging a gold medal for graduation class of 2017 in International Relations and Diplomacy (INR).

Mr. Daurewa, with a background in engineering and teaching, joined UniFiji with the goal to join the Foreign Services either locally or abroad.

Talking about his experience at the University, Mr. Daurewa complemented the lecturers saying that they were very professional and informative with over 30 years of experience in the field.

"Courses were both academic and practical in nature where the lecturers allowed us to engage with students from Samabula Campus. Studying at UniFiji expanded my horizon and I was able to understand the role of being a Diplomat and the requirements it entailed. Now I am a Diplomat in a Foreign Country and representing Fiji at the World Stage," he stated.

He commented that he would recommend studying INR to people from all works of life including matured students who are already in the Foreign Service but don't have qualifications in INR and young students who have a passion in Foreign Affairs and World Politics.

"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and many Multinational Organisations are now seeking employees who have qualifications in INR. Foreign Service Officers have the opportunity to work at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and with overseas organisations that help them understand different cultures, languages and the atmosphere of working in a foreign country. The family also has the opportunity to meet new friends and develop a network that is global. Kids attend International Schools, enjoy benefits of being part of a Diplomat's family, travel the world and experience a whole new life away from home," he said.

Mr. Daurewa hopes return to UniFiji one day and teach INR to aspiring new students who have a passion for international relations.