



Gerard Colreavy

What is your current job title?

Senior Planner at Veris

Where did you study?

University of Western Australia

What did you study?

Bachelor of Science (Urban and Regional Planning)

Did you always know what you wanted to be?

No, I didn't have a fixed career path in mind, but I've always been intrigued by the dynamics of the urban environment. The way various elements come together to shape a city has always fascinated me.

What were your previous jobs (if any)?

I have worked within numerous Strategic Planning roles across local government including City of Melbourne, Maribyrnong CC.

How did you get into the property/development industry?

My journey into the property and development industry stemmed from my passion for planning. Planning is inherently linked to property and development, and I found myself naturally gravitating toward this field. In my role, I now have the opportunity to work closely with a variety of property and development clients.

How did you find out about the UDIA?

I first came across UDIA during my previous roles in the industry. Now, I'm proud to be a part of UDIA through Veris, as we're active members of UDIA Victoria.

Why did you decide to join the UDIA Outlook Young Professionals Committee?

I chose to join the UDIA Outlook Young Professionals Committee because it's an ideal platform for sharing ideas with peers who are at a similar stage in their careers. The field of urban development is in constant evolution, and I see UDIA Outlook as a valuable way to actively participate in shaping its future.

Tip(s) for a younger version of yourself:

It would be to recognize the breadth of urban development. It offers a wide range of career possibilities, so I would encourage seeking out opportunities for learning and growth. Every experience contributes to a deeper understanding of this diverse and dynamic industry.

