Perspectives Of PSET Graduates On The Quality Of Programme And Application Of Qualifications In The Workplace
VISION STATEMENT
‘To be the leading provider of quality maritime training that is committed to provide a value-added service to the local, regional and global maritime community’

MISSION STATEMENT
‘To empower leadership, encourage rigorous self discipline, promote curiosity, and provide graduates with the skills, ethics, and knowledge factor to excel in the global economy by reflecting excellent Maritime qualities’
QUALITY

- The quality of maritime education (Samoa Shipping Maritime Academy) system could be considered one of the most chief pillars for safe and efficient shipping.

- Particularly vital is the maritime education at the PSET level and those ensuring seafarers’ top rank qualifications in accordance with the Standard of Training Certificate and Watch-keeping Convention.
QUALITY OF PROGRAMME
(accreditation by SQA)

- Certificate level II in Onboard Deck Rating
- Certificate level II in Onboard Engine Rating
- Certificate III in Able Bodied Seafarer Engine
SSC Professional Certificate.

- Advanced Certificate Level III in Competency Onboard Deck Bosun.
- Advanced Certificate Level III in Competency Onboard Storekeeper.
- Certificate IV in Master Class 5 (Ship’s Officers Level)
- Certificate IV in Marine Engineer Class 5 (Ship’s Officers Level)
APPLICATION OF QUALIFICATIONS IN THE WORKPLACE

- Advantage of qualification awarded by SSMA that I’ve been fully practiced on-board ship to carry out the following;
  - To satisfy the needs of stakeholders.
  - Meet the requirements acquired by STCW Convention.
  - Safety of ships crew and passengers.
  - Avoid accident occurrence on board ship.
  - Satisfy the needs of passengers’ and tourists travelling between islands.
  - Improved the economy of Samoa.
  - To protect the marine environment.
WHY?

- It minimizes human error caused by the lack of up skill and upgrade in knowledge.

- The better the education and training received by seafarers – the safer the shipping industry will become.
Skills & Knowledge

That the Graduates profile on completion of the program the students will be able to achieve:
Fire fighting and Fire Prevention on-board
Sea Survival Techniques
Medical First Aid
Steward.
Improving gender equality in the Maritime Industry and their share in the workplace.
Women are slowly making a name and place for themselves on board local fleets.
Women Onboard Watch Keeping Duty
DIFFICULTIES:

As every profession has its own set of challenges so does the maritime industry.

- Problem of Acceptance
- Fighting Loneliness
- Dealing with prejudice and Stereotyping people
- Facing narrow-mindedness
- Proving Competency
- Gathering Courage to do difficult tasks

- Encouragement for the young women pursuing the maritime field.
CONCLUSION

If we aim to achieve high quality standard of our maritime industry, we need to be accredited by SQA and ensure that Samoa Maritime Industry is comply with the IMO Convention White List.

To improve working conditions in the workplace for seafarers, we need access the best trainings and also training materials available, in order to upgrade knowledge and skills at all level. This shouldn’t just be for the PSET but having access to overseas Maritime colleges to gain higher levels of Qualifications for both genders in the local Maritime area.
Thank You and Lord Bless 😊