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Brief Summary

Ken joined Curtin University from the UK in August 2018 to undertake a PhD on the geology of Mars. Ken previously graduated with an Integrated Master's degree in Geological Sciences from the University of Leeds. His Master's project was on the geochemistry of mantle xenoliths from Tolbachick and Avachinsky volcanoes in Kamchatka, Russia. Ken is now analysing the geochemistry of Martian meteorites, rocks formed from Martian volcanoes that were later ejected, in order to locate their source craters on the surface of the red planet.

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Research interests: Geology of Mars, Martian meteorites

Thesis title: Prof. Gretchen Benedix, Dr. Lucy Forman, Dr. Mark Hackett, Dr. Victoria Hamilton

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