

## More Interviews and Planning

Weekly Report 10 ~ 10/22/2018 - 10/28/2018

Throughout this week, in the Independent Study and Mentorship program, the majority of time was allotted towards tasks such as setting up the portfolio binder, S.M.A.R.T. goals, and interviews. These tasks resulted in many new avenues opening up for research and more interviews.

Setting up the portfolio binder was more time consuming than originally planned. This was an eye-opening experience that resulted in motivation to stay on top of putting things in the portfolio binder as soon as they are completed. Additionally, working on creating a list of S.M.A.R.T. goals put the rest of year into perspective based on what needs to be worked on throughout this process.

The interview conducted with Dr. Erin Shults, the head veterinarian and founder of Mazie's Mission, provided lots of helpful information pertaining to rescue, veterinary work, college, and people skills. Discussing some of the hardest and most rewarding cases she had seen was very interesting and solidified the desire to pursue this topic this year. Additionally, Dr. Shults' ability to compare her work as a main practice veterinarian with her work as a rescue veterinarian provided many things to consider now and later on when deciding on a career path for myself.

This week was very informative as whole due to the overview of goals that will hopefully be achieved throughout this year and the beginning of setting up the portfolio binder. The most interesting part of this week was the interview conducted with Dr. Erin Shults. Talking with professionals is always an eye-opening experience and each interview provides new ways of thinking and going about things in the veterinary world.