

A Change in Direction

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This week was filled with many twists and turns. Events such as research presentations and a change of topic took up most of the time this week in the Independent Study and Mentorship program.

The construction of a research presentation to present to members of the Independent Study and Mentorship class prompted a look back through what has already been accomplished this year. Looking over previous research, thinking back over past interviews, and considering the next steps forward such as original work caused a realization. While veterinary medicine and animals have always been a major focus of mine, they were not my passion. Instead, they are just something I am passionate about. Realization of this caused some reconsideration over what this year's topic should be in the Independent Study and Mentorship program. Not willing to give up the opportunity to explore a profession that truly interested me, the topic was changed to early childhood education. Through previous experience such as assistant teaching dance classes for 5 years and working as a dance teacher for the past year, it was determined that this profession would be a better fit.

Moving forward, there is a lot of work to be done in order to switch topics. Many items that were completed in the viewpoint of veterinary medicine will have to be reevaluated such as the mission statement, guiding quote, and original work. While this may be difficult, it will be worth it in the long run and will result in a much more successful and beneficial year in the Independent Study and Mentorship program.