

Preparing for Professionals

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This week, in the Independent Study and Mentorship program, time was devoted primarily to preparing for cold calls and interviews. Development of things such as a resume and interview questions were tremendously helpful in preparation for contacting professionals.

Formatting and editing the resume that will be given out to professionals put future volunteer opportunities and work opportunities into perspective. Focusing extracurricular efforts towards the specified field of study will be beneficial later on to develop a more professional and impressive resume. Additionally, preparing for cold calls by doing mock cold calls and going over the basics of what to say during a cold call helped relieve some stress and better prepare for cold calling. Knowing what to say during a cold call and having practice beforehand will make initial cold calls more professional and less awkward. This will be very helpful in attempting to get interviews with professionals in the field.

Preparing interview questions prompted research into topics of debate in the veterinary field such as pediatric surgeries and dog overpopulation. Writing and reviewing the interview questions provided insight into what an interview will entail. With this knowledge, there is more time to prepare and perfect interviewing techniques.

Going over aspects of contacting professionals such as interview questions, the basics of cold calling, and making a resume all served as preparation for future steps in the Independent Study and Mentorship program. With this information, preparation for interviews with professionals can begin now and be perfected by the time contacting professionals begins. Next week, work will begin on perfecting the resume and researching more about integral aspects of veterinary sciences.