

Preparing for Interviews

Weekly Report 8 ~ 10/8/2018 - 10/14/2018

Without an interview scheduled thus far, time was dedicated to contacting and following up with professionals about potential informational interviews. The original work was also introduced this week, prompting a look through all previous research assessments and further research in order to start thinking about possible ideas for the original work.

Many phone calls were placed this week to different veterinary clinics. After many phone calls, follow ups, and emails, one informational interview is in the process of being scheduled for next week and another is also making progress after a week of phone tag. This experience so far has been very educational. Seeing how veterinary clinics run and how busy they are on a day to day basis was very informative.

Additionally this week, notes and tips from the business symposium were applied to the resume in order to perfect it before meeting with professionals. Next, the resume and all weekly reports were added to the website in the interest of further developing the digital portfolio. Development of the digital portfolio will be very beneficial so it can be ready and perfected before it is time to publish the website.

The original work was introduced this week. This introduction prompted many ideas for possible projects however, meeting with professionals and conducting informational interviews will hopefully be educational and beneficial to further brainstorming of potential ideas. Past research assessments were revisited in order to get a better idea of what information could be utilized in the original work and this look back on previous research prompted another research assessment this week in order to expand knowledge over certain topics.

Overall, this week was very informative in terms of real world experience. Talking to people who work in veterinary clinics was very eye-opening and beneficial. Additionally, working on items such as the digital portfolio, resume, and original work will prove to be very helpful throughout the rest of the year in the Independent Study and Mentorship program.