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My Storyboard

2012-2016

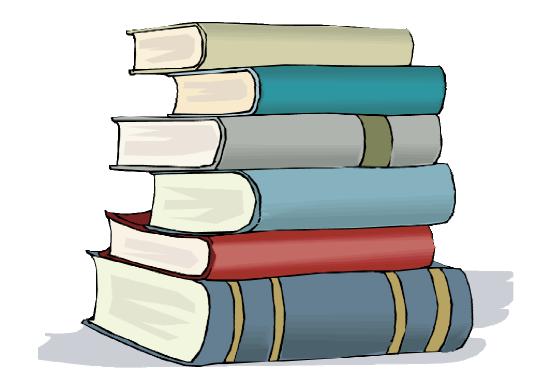


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Life of a Student

- •I began preparing for each new academic level by seeing using the last academic semester to prepare for the next semester challenges..
- •My journey was difficult, but I found solace keeping my eyes on the end prize— Graduation.

The Journey of Endless Studying and Reading Begins.



Financing my Education

- •I encountered many detours and hurdles with paying for school. I kept my eyes focused on the prize and never give up.
- •I applied Financial Aid, and Scholarships
- •I saved from my monthly income to pay for school
- •I kept my eye on the prize—Graduation.



Internships

I did one internship one per year and worked at:

- •Rosser International
- •AIA Atlanta
- •Klein and Warren, Architectural Firm

Internships taught me:

- •How to participate in a work setting with peers
- •Improve my networking skills
- ·Learn new skills





Through Volunteering I learned the following about myself.

- •How to be more compassionate
- •How rewarding "Giving" can be
- •How to effective listen
- •When to Speak
- •When to say No
- •My tolerance Capacity
- •Servant leadership



Impactful Courses

Here are three impactful classes I believe that was instrumental in advancing my learn and sharpening my skills:

- •Writing for Mass Media
- •Intercultural Diversity
- •Global Leadership







Writing for Mass Media

I learned the importance of credible writing

- Writing Objectively
- •Writing for the Audience
- •Citing Sources
- •Editing Formats
- •Writing in American Psychology Association (APA) the format most reporters write in.





Intercultural Diversity

The most important educational awareness received from the Intercultural Diversity Course was:

- •Learning how to communicate effectively with other cultures
- •Different Cultural Norms
- •Acceptance and Tolerance of Others
- •How to function in a Diverse Settings



Global Leadership

When you love diversity Global leadership is a gateway into the world of leadership. The three educational take-away from the Global Leadership are:

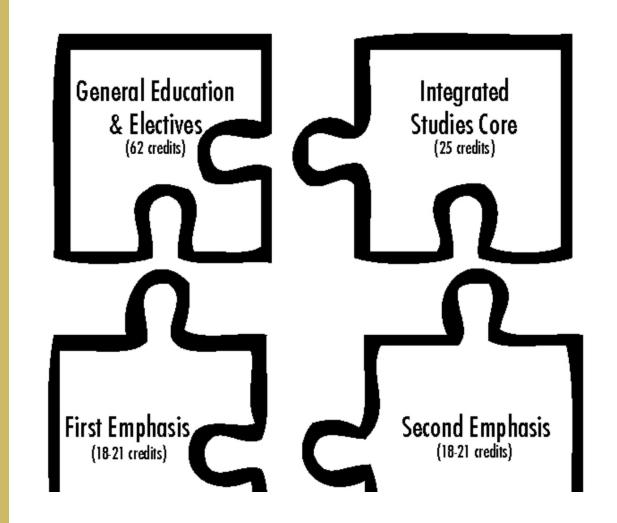
- •Communicationunderstanding how to communicate on a global platform.
- •Leadership-expanding your reach in a global world
- •Culture—living and learning with different people



Transitioned into Integrative Studies

I loved all my communication classes but was left wondering how can I leverage a communication degree in my career life. A friend mentioned earning a Bachelors of Science Degree in Integrative Studies. After research I decided this is the degree for me because:

•I can leverage Communication and Writing to in the working world—two things I love.



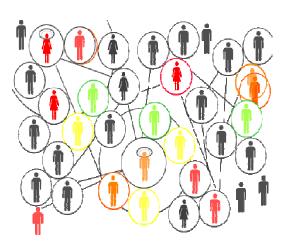


One Day Closer to Graduation 2016

As graduation approaches I am busy with the following:

- •Resume writing
- •Networking (3x per month)
- •Attending Career Fairs (on and off campus)
- •Reaching out to University friends inquiring about employment
- •Applying for employment and Internships









I have taken all these steps, walked, fell, got up again and have persevered through it all.

- •I have a two classes left to graduate in May 2016.
- •I cannot give up now. The challenges are increasing. Sometimes I want to give up but I will not take my eye off the PRIZE.

