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## **BA6-Individual Reflection**

This past semester in ENGR-175 was interesting and fun. I learned a lot about various topics and also enjoyed the work I did with my group mates. Some lessons I learned during this semester include proper communication methods, the importance of data visualization, and what a proper team environment looked like. During our group work, we had to make sure our communication was on point, so we all got our work done on time and knew what our tasks were for each assignment. We used our group chat to communicate when we weren't together during labs or lectures, and it worked effectively. Everyone was actively communicating, and it made the processes of doing assignments very smooth. We had certain assignments where we had to visualize data and through that I learned how much better data is to explain when it is shown using visuals such as graphs. For our presentation we showed our data with graphs, and it helped for us to explain it better. One last lesson was how a proper team environment looks like. We all had proper communication and also all did our parts. An important aspect that we had that made the team environment better was that someone would take over for another member if any of us were busy and couldn't do all of our deliverables and this helped with team chemistry and was a lesson on how to take after your other team members.

I wouldn't say there were many challenges that I went through during the semester. Everything was smooth and I was on top of everything that needed to be done. I think everything being straightforward helped with that and aided with a positive experience this semester.

As said earlier, my team collaboration experience went very well. Even though I was paired with peers that I did not know of before, we all got along fast and all seemed enthusiastic

about our project and the assignments we'd take part in during the semester. All of us were always on top of our deliverables and knew what to do and always got the work done on time. We used our group chat as our main source of communication, and it worked effectively during the semester as everyone was properly communicating and we didn't have to go around trying to get a hold of anyone. There were no issues that occurred, and everything went well throughout the semester.

For some broad takeaways from the project. I learned a good amount on how AI is used by other students and noticed that a majority of students have similar experiences. I noticed that most students use AI with their school assignments and most of them use ChatGPT as their main LLM. A lot of them also think that AI made their major easier which makes sense as most of the participants belonged to the School of Engineering. The project really illustrated how students in UC Merced use AI and how they feel about AI use.

Overall, this was a successful semester where I learned a lot about Information Systems and AI use with Students. I had a good time with my group on all the project work and everything was done effectively.