Indigo Slate Job Shadow

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Hi! My name is Peter Nguyen. From August 5th to 9th, 2019, I job shadowed at a company called Indigo Slate! Job shadowing the video team, I assisted the team with equipment management, and learned some skills for video editing.

I learned the basics of camera usage and camera management, and learned how to prepare a set for shooting. I also learned how to create closed captions and open captions for videos, learned the basics of video editing in Adobe Premiere, and learned about various programs that are useful for video editing. I created closed and opened captions for two out of the four videos, the deliverables, that Indigo Slate needed for a client. Within this task, I also briefly learned about the process that the video team takes to prepare and process their deliverables. The video team finished the process by the end of the week.

Throughout my time at Indigo Slate, I also assisted with moving equipment to and from various places when I shadowed a Video Production Assistant.

This experience has been a valuable boon, as video editing and film have been added to my repertoire of possible career options. Personally, what I found extremely valuable was realizing, through firsthand experience, how important the work environment is towards an individual's enjoyment at a job.

The video team was extremely friendly to me, and to one another. They managed to maintain a friendly environment, whilst maintaining a professional and productive workspace all the same. Time flew by, especially when I was performing tasks that I wouldn't have exactly considered to be time killers in the past. It was surprising!

Before my job shadow at Indigo Slate, I barely considered how work environment would impact how much I would enjoy working, compared to the job position itself. Although this has made me even slightly more confused about what I want to do for my future, this has also given me a sense of relief; I have more options to consider for my career path. I'm grateful for my experience at Indigo Slate, and I hope that this will help me find a career I can be happy to live for.