# GOM4 Orientation Task Assignment Template

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## Section A1

*Your decision to attend WGU shows your courage and determination to realize your potential. What is your “why” for attending WGU at this time?*  
  
I have a few reasons for attending WGU to gain a master’s in data analytics. My first reason is that we are entering a recession and it’s a great time to improve skills. My second reason is that children with parents with higher education are more likely to also go higher in education. And finally, I am already a Software Developer and some of our clients Data Science projects seem interesting and I wanted to increase my skillsets out of interest, increasing pay and eventually playing with A.I.

## Section A2

*Imagine your life when you have completed your program. How have you, your family, or your career been changed for the better?*

My life improves because I will be a better example for my children, and I will have more job security through options via the new skills sets in a still relatively new field within my over arching IT field.

## Section B1

## *Name and describe your WGU program.*

My WGU program is MSDA (Master in Data Analytics). The program will include using “cutting-edge and highly sought-after technology to help you learn about machine learning, modern analytic tools”. We will get there through a ‘learn by doing’ model and this fits my personality perfectly.

## Section B2

## *Identify at least two (2) specific requirements that your degree has for completion. How will these program requirements help you achieve your career goals?*

Requirements:

1. Predictive Modeling – This is a major step in my ability to create and work with AI within my IT career.
2. Capstone – This is a nice way to create a workable demo to show case all the skills the degree program has taught me in a demonstratable fashion. This would help me get onto the Data Science projects at my current employment.

## Section C1

### C1-A

*Describe one scenario in which you will turn to your Program Mentor for support. Consider what you might be working on, what type of support you might be looking for, and how you might reach out for help.*

A scenario that will likely keep coming up is talking with my Program Mentor to keep me on a slightly accelerated course for completion while maintaining proper learning. My fiancée will also be getting some degree work and we’d like to keep cost down. I would reach out first in the form of an email paired with a follow-up call. I like to get some things in writing to be able to revisit it as well as the verbal communication aspect.

### C1-B

*Describe one scenario in which you will turn to your instructor for support. Consider what you might be working on, what type of support you might be looking for, and how you might reach out for help.*I will reach out to my instructor for anything I might be struggling to comprehend. I would first reach out in e-mail for and ask for guidance on additional resources to help my comprehension.

## Section C2

*Your determination to succeed early is important to build momentum toward your goals at WGU. Reflect on and identify at least two (2) actions or behaviors you will engage in to positively impact your first term.*

1. Daily study no matter how short the time.
2. Doing school a few hours before work each day and lunch so that I have time for my family after work.

## Section D

*No matter what your personal goal is for completing your program, time management will be an important component in achieving your goals. This section has two required elements:*

Part 1: *Describe your plan for implementing your study schedule.*

I plan to do school before work, during lunch and after kids go to sleep. Steadily chunked out during the week.

Part 2: *Use the table in the provided template to create a schedule for yourself.*

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