

ELITE

EYES ON THE PRIZE

Features Desislava Tsvetanova, a students who will talk about university experience and personal topics

How did we got here?



Life is LIKE
a Box of
CHOCOLATES
you
never know what
you're gonna get



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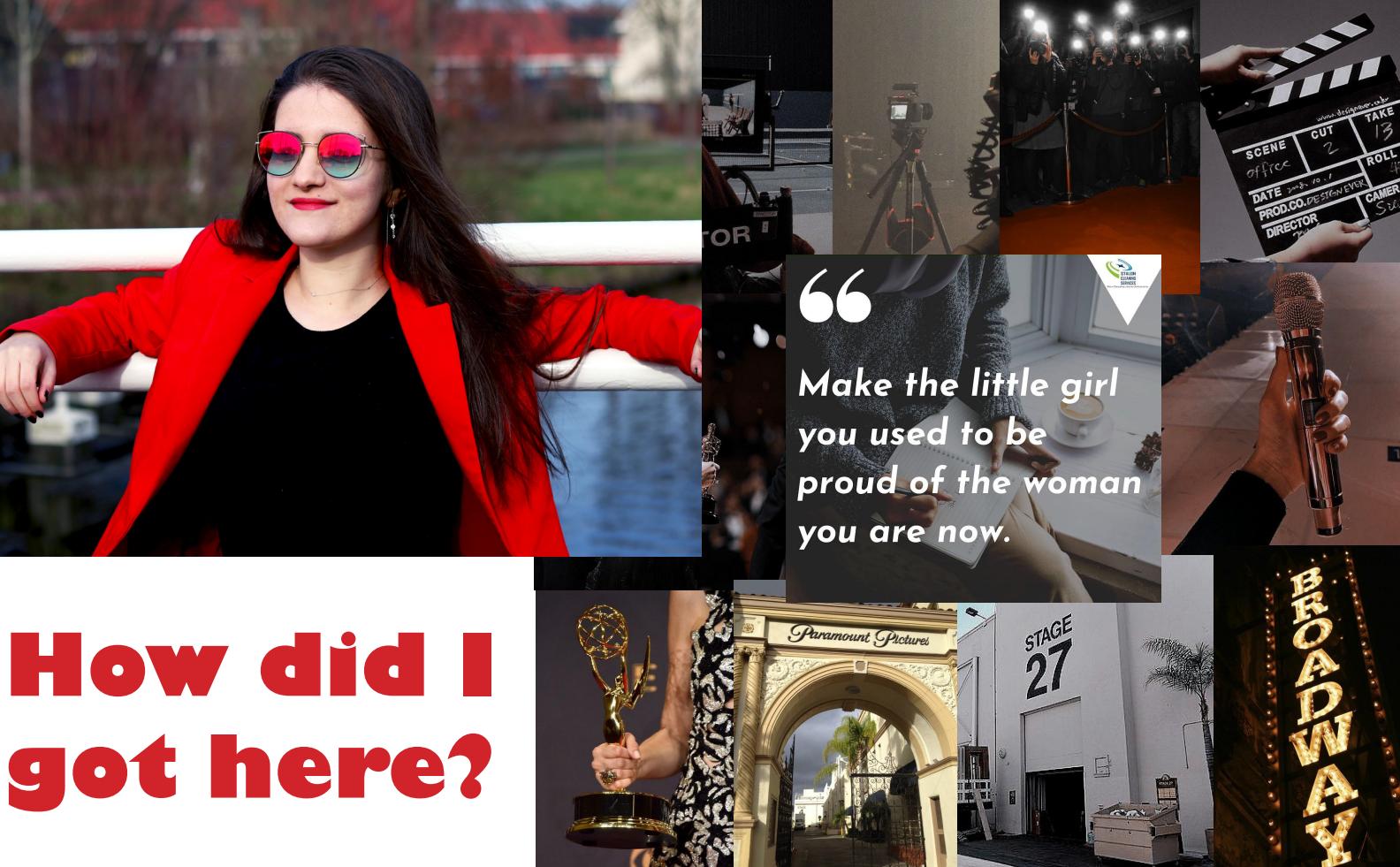
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How did I got here?

Who am I?

I am a person with a unique set of skills. I am a lifelong learner and an optimist. I am a passionate individual with a strong drive to succeed. I am an independent thinker and a creative problem solver. I am a friend, a lover, and a dreamer. I am an explorer, an adventurer. I am a source of positivity and joy. I am a complex person, full of contradictions and surprises. I am a unique individual with a lot to offer.

life before

I come from a small city in Bulgaria. I am from a relatively big family and I have two sisters. My life was really quiet – I didn't travel, I didn't go to parties a lot and I was more introverted. My everyday

My everyday activities included going to school, studying, going out with a friend in my free time, and visiting my grandparents in the countryside. At one point in time, I started watching a lot of movies and TV series and it became something like a hobby. From there I started liking cinematography, photography, celebrity news, and everything related to the media world.

How did I end up here?

While growing up my dream was to become a doctor. I passionately studied biology and chemistry and for a very long time, I imagined myself in the white uniform, saving lives. When I was in 10th grade I started to pay more attention to

art, music, and movies and I got inspired. I realized that I wanted to have a future in the creative field. I began to consider persuading a different from my original plan career. I started researching my options and I was looking for a good place to continue my education. I came across the Netherlands. The Netherlands is the top choice for media and broadcasting, as it is home for entertainment companies such as Discovery, Netflix, Disney, and many more. Furthermore, there are 11 independent newspapers, 5 national radio stations, and many broadcasting companies as well as Dutch magazines. With so many media disciplines, I found it very beneficial for me to study a media-based major in the Netherlands.



Reflections

*"The more reflective you are,
the more efective you are"*

Semester I

My first-time arrival at the university was a thrilling but anxious experience. I had a study start week to help me get to know the city, the university and to make friends. After this week Semester 1 started. On the first day, I met my group 1G INT. I couldn't say we clicked immediately, but as time progressed we started getting creative assignments which encouraged our communication and personal leadership skills. When we finished them our class became one united community that supported each other. To this day, I keep in contact with my groupmates from the Onboarding Assignment, we still go out and help each other in university life and in personal aspect. Later on we started working with a real-life client and we got more business-related tasks. I can't say I enjoyed them, but I think they were helpful, especially for the people who want to start a company on their own. The semester ended and we said our goodbyes, keeping the good memories. I especially want to thank the coach for his patients, understanding, and the high level of professionalism he showed during that semester. His feedback and emotional support were always welcomed.

Basecamp

As the second semester started we were assigned to new groups. We had to do an "I" assignment, in order to present ourselves to our new classmates. I did a simple video in which I shared a few things about myself. The video featured my housemate who also shared her opinion about me. Unfortunately, I had to miss the first atelier and I didn't have the opportunity to do the "YOU" assignment. But for the "WE" assignment I was warmly welcomed in a group of 5 people. Together we did the assignment and presented it in front of the class. For the "WORLD" assignment we as a class had to work together. I was glad that we had group meetings and that everyone's opinion was heard. Overall, I'm excited to be in this new class. I see many opportunities and possibilities and I can't wait to explore the new relationships I'll make.

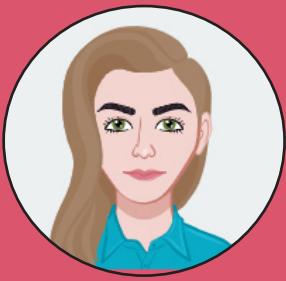
What other people have to say?

HOUSMATE



“Desi is a sweet, sweet Bulgarian who brings a smile to my face. Although she can be an over-thinker she is a great person and her bubbly personality will make you stick around.”

FRIEND FROM SCHOOL



“I noticed you had so many ideas and I could see how creative you are. When I had problems with my homework you were always there to help me which helped me gain my respect and trust for you. Apart from that part you are also a very interesting person, funny and easy to talk to.

TEAMMATE



From my experience working on assignments with you I can say that you are a person that I can just rely on without hesitating. but sometimes I can see that you get distracted very easily and that could lead to trouble with communicating/trying to express yourself the best way possible.



That's all me!

Vague

Lively

CHAOTIC

Responsible

Sweet

Loyal

Overthinker

MESSY

BUSY-Minded

JOYFUL

Calm

Personal Learning Goals



Learning goal 1

So my personal goal is to take different roles in the team, for the future. When there is a group project I will try to take a leading role or management role (setting deadlines etc.)

Learning goal 2

I want to grow out of the school program as well. So my second goal is to get more involved with extracurricular activities by the end of the year.

Learning goal 3

My last goal is to graduate the school year with at least sufficient on all Learning Outcomes and to complete my UPOL's