

1. Technology-reflection

- a. Can you share on why you are/were interested to study in this technology discipline (taking this DS 100 class or pursuing a major, minor, or certificate)?
 - i. The reason I was interested in taking this class was because I wanted to learn more about technology and because I had to this class as a pre-requisite. However, I didn't really need this class anymore because the class that I needed in order to graduate was canceled. In the end it was definitely a very interesting class. At first I was looking for a class so I could use it as a prerequisite and this class popped up and I found it interesting because the description of this class was about how this was an intro class and we'd learn about technology and also how the projects we would do would help us understand technology a little bit better, or something to that fact. So of course since this world has so much technology that we all rely on so heavily, that I wanted to see what this class would be teach me. I was able to learn more about technology and how things worked and also was able to get better communication skills due to having a lot of group activities during class time.
- b. Do you believe technology drives society or does society drives technology? Please explain your thoughts.
 - i. Since technology is a need for all of us, I believe that technology is the driving force behind society. It seems like everywhere we look, there is technology. The numerous technical advancements have a big impact on society because of how they affect people's daily lives, careers, interpersonal relationships, and communication. For example, the global expansion of the internet and cellphones significantly changed how people interact and get information. Technological advancements frequently bring

up new opportunities that alter both economic and behavioral patterns in individuals, if that makes sense.

- c. Is it possible to live a life or lifestyle without technology? Please explain your thoughts and provide any examples.

i. Well, I think that some individuals can survive without technology, but not all of them. There are people in this world that lead minimalist lives, which include that single people or families follow minimalism and frequently set aside certain times to utilize technology. They may choose for entry-level phones, set screen time limits, and prioritize non-technological hobbies like as writing, reading books in hard copy, and other analog pursuits. Off-grid living is another example of a life without technology. Some opt to live off the grid, cultivating their own food, producing their own electricity using solar or wind power, and reducing their need on modern technology (Guardian).

- d. In your opinion, what is the next innovation or era in technology after this data-driven era?

i. Sustainable and clean technology, in my opinion, will be the next big technological advancement or era following current data-driven one. I say this because there are people out there who are doing all in their power to draw attention to the fact that our planet is on the verge of extinction and that we all need to realize how quickly things are changing. Advancements in carbon capture, renewable energy, and sustainable materials have the potential to propel a substantial transition towards a technological period that is environmentally sensitive. As an environmental science major, I

believe this could be the next era because very soon we will need to live a better sustainable life to survive in the coming years (Rubicon).