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# My Expectations

I read the syllabus before starting this semester, and I thought this course would be about the things that need while working on the project as a team. I did not know how the project was processing step by step and what there were to consider. When I got a project idea assignment, I was embarrassed. It was not easy to pick out the ideas that were feasible, appropriate, and uncommon. I did not know how to come up with, develop, and modify the ideas. I have learned how to outline and be specific to projects through this course so far. I can't say I am a professional now, but I know a little about how the project goes. To say that I know or can do this, I have to learn more than I have learned so far. Among them, I would like to know how to write formal documentation to appeal our ideas to sponsors, such as what the document should have and what it should include. And I wonder how to get sponsors. Where can we find them? When the entire class is over, I expect to understand the overall project process in detail and know these things.

# How I Can Apply PM Concepts

The assignment we are doing is practical. Therefore, that will be somewhat helpful in the actual fields. For example, Creating an application(app) may be a project. I can consider the various components of a project and make a plan before creating an app.

DMIT program students must take a capstone project to graduate, and I heard that this class is beneficial for the capstone. As far as I know, the Capstone project must be commissioned by a client and create graduation works for each team. Although it is different in that I have to produce an actual result, it is very similar to this class: I have to work on a four-month project to deliver results.

I think life is a kinda large project. When I make important decisions in my life, the project charter seems to be helpful. I can clarify why I have to do or should not do, and subdivide and consider in various parts such as budget, risk, and timeline. Some choices may be regrettable, but it is an excellent way to lower regret or risk. Also, knowing deliverables and goals is essential. If I do not clarify the deliverables, I can lose my way. I need to make sure my target point and direction in doing something to move efficiently.

# Team Issues

I was so worried when I heard that most of the assignments would carry out as a team. It is because a team member dropped a course last time. However, I like this team so much! We decided to take turns experiencing the roles within the group by a week because this class is practice anyway, not real. To perform all the positions at least once will be a great experience when I get a job and work at a company.

I do not think I am contributing much. Communicating is the biggest problem for me. It has been only 10-month when I came to Canada, so I still have to translate in my brain before I talk. It takes quite a long time, so I sometimes give up talking about something. However, that is my problem, and I am the only one who can solve it. Other team members have diverse opinions and are active, so I am thankful. Although there are various opinions, we also tell reasons with thoughts. We understand well and respect each other's views. That is why we do not have significant issues during the assignment.

The team members are responsible. Everyone works hard on their parts and finishes assignments earlier than the due date. The meeting starts precisely at the appointment time and ends at the target time. Above all, the best thing is that everyone turns on the camera and has a meeting. I can see the facial expressions and reactions of the team members, so turning on the camera is way better when communicating. I know they are listening and focusing on the work.

We still need more information about the budget, including venue rental fees and specific marketing fees via SNSs. We are waiting for NAIT's e-mail for the venue rental fees, and I will ask my brother for the SNSs marketing fees. Also, the due date of the project charter is until next week Wednesday, so we are working on it.