Reflection

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**Write** a reflection (250 to 300 words) on your experiences in GS 170. Answer the following questions in your reflection:

* What did you learn from completing Project A? (You may review the project at [W01 Prepare: Project Selection](https://byui.instructure.com/courses/247602/quizzes/3995865).)

Project A was a valuable lesson in the power of networking and proactive career planning. Through the project, I learned that creating a robust network of professional contacts and identifying relevant job and volunteer opportunities can be instrumental in shaping one's career path. It's not just about applying for jobs; it's about building relationships that can lead to unexpected and exciting prospects.

* What successes did you experience along the way?

One of the most significant successes during this project was expanding my network. I connected with professionals from various industries and backgrounds, some of whom offered valuable insights and advice on my career goals. Additionally, I discovered several job and volunteer opportunities that align with my interests and skills, providing me with a sense of direction and motivation for my future.

* What did you learn that was unexpected?

What surprised me was the sheer diversity of opportunities available. By casting a wider net and actively seeking out opportunities, I came across roles in industries and fields I hadn't initially considered. This revelation broadened my horizons and made me more open to exploring unconventional career paths.

* How did completing the assignments help you communicate your skills more effectively?

The assignments in GS 170 honed my ability to articulate my skills and aspirations. From crafting introductory emails to professionals to tailoring my resume for specific job opportunities, I learned the importance of clear and concise communication. This has not only made me a more effective communicator but has also boosted my confidence in networking and presenting myself as a strong candidate for potential roles.

* How will you use what you have learned to help others?

I'm eager to share the knowledge and skills I've gained with my peers and classmates. Networking is an invaluable skill, and I plan to help others recognize its importance and guide them in building their networks. By providing guidance on effective communication, sharing insights, and facilitating connections, I hope to support others in their career development endeavors. GS 170 has been a stepping stone in my professional journey, and I intend to pay it forward by assisting others on their paths to success.

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