ENG 2003 Reflection

My experience in ENG2003 was very nice. I found writing the technical report quite an enjoyable experience, especially considering that I was extremely interested in the subject. I thought it would be a bit more focused on in-person communication and job applications and less on subjects like technical writing, editing, and graphs. Some of the assignments ended up being a lot more work than I initially thought, like the annotated biography took a lot of reading and writing. I found the content about resumes, cover letters, and interview skills very useful for trying to get a coop position. The axioms of communication were pretty interesting to learn because after learning them I would find myself noticing certain axioms in my day to day.

Development Reflection

My communication abilities certainly improved throughout the course. Before the course I had no professional experience at all so I had no idea how to do the simple things like send a good email. Now I understand the criteria of good communication and m resume and cover letters are a lot better. My report writing has probably improved the most since I had very little experience with it beforehand. I still need to work on my presentation abilities, I find my speaking is not very good. This course has changed my engineering practice to provide better insight into reporting the progress I have made when coding.

Showcase Reflection

Resume

I selected this piece because a resume is very important to a portfolio, and I am proud of the work behind it. To fully show my development as a communicator, I would have had to present an earlier iteration of my resume, as it was a really big improvement. This is not quite my best work as I need to complete more projects to add to my resume to consolidate my skills as a Java developer.

Sushi Restaurant Application

I selected this piece to showcase my knowledge and skills as a developer with multiple languages and tools as well as highlighting my collaborative skills. This shows I am a good communicator with group members. This pushed me out of my comfort zone as it is one of my first big group projects. This is almost my best work but I could use more time to add more.

Technical Report

I selected this piece because it highlights my technical writing abilities and shows I can interpret data successfully. It pushed me out of my comfort zone as I have not done a technical report before, and it required a lot of research that I am new to. This is my best work, I put many hours into it, and I am very passionate about the topic.

Group Presentation

I chose this to piece to showcase my collaborative and presentation abilities. It says my development has come far. This piece put me out of my comfort zone as I do not collaborate often and tend to choose to work alone. This is my best work, I find the slides are very well put together and my speaking skills when presenting were very good.