

Interviewee year: **Alumni**

Interviewee major: **Law & Society**

1. Could you please let us know what year and major you're in

I majored in Law & Society, Arts Faculty. I am an alumnus, '16.

2. Would you say your study habits have evolved in the last couple years (If not a first year) or since you've started university (If first year)

Yes, I would say that in reflection of my first year undergrad, I have changed a tremendous amount as to the rate of studying and style.

3. When studying for a topic, what do you do if you don't understand something? (Office hours, peer help, google, give up and cry)

I would have my peers reteach the topics to me, as I had very intelligent peers.

4. What would you say your studying style is? Spread out and relax or do you grind when you need to

I would say that it is intensive, and rather last minute.

5. How did you meet friends in your current degree or friends that you study with?

Class.

6. When studying with friends, what kind of environment is it? Relaxed, serious etc.

Somewhere we could talk and discuss about the topic. I'd say, pretty serious, depending on how close the exam is or how difficult the topic is.

7. Reimagine yourself as a first year with no connections, how do you see yourself meeting people?

Striking up an awkward conversation with a random first year in my class. But people naturally came to me.

**\*\*pretend that we showed you the cards\*\*** (1 card is going to be someone talking to peers around them in class, the second card is going to be posting on reddit for others taking the same class, third card is going to be our app)

8. So in the first 2 cards we've outlined the current solutions to meeting new people. In the third card we're proposing our solution, and it's an app where students can broadcast study groups and find other people who are studying the same subjects as them. This opens students up to a broader network of peer tutoring. We were also thinking of features like file sharing for notes, being able to check the density of study rooms in university so you can see how busy certain spots are before you check it out, and an interactive map where you can see if there are current study sessions being broadcast. Out of the features we've highlighted so far, which one piques your interest the most?

I would say the broadcasting system, ESPECIALLY 3 hours before the exam, it would be much helpful to know WHO or WHERE people are freaking out about the same exam. I recall my undergrad fueled with me anxiously asking kids outside of the classroom if they were in class X.

9. What do you think would make you a user of this app?

In my first year, which was a very very long time ago - nearly 8 years ago, we didn't have much of a platform to reach out to people. It would've been organic and right outside the classroom 30 minutes before the exam. I think the possibility to meet people who are WILLING to share notes, AND want to study together would be an appeal to me.

10. Are there any features that you feel would be beneficial to you as a student?

Perhaps instant messaging, or the ability to accept a study event especially if it's a closed group.

11. Ty for your time etc etc

You're welcome.