Who are you?

Who are you is always a tough question to answer. There's a surface level answer like: I am a software developer at discover and just started in September 2020. I just finished my Undergrad at DePaul in June 2020 in Computer Science. However, what does that really tell you about me? I think to know who someone really is you have to get to know them personally and not just know what they studied and do for a living. To get to know me a little better here are some of my personality traits:

Myer Briggs – 16 Personalities (if you haven't taken this quiz highly recommend). I took a class on this in my undergrad and found out I am a ENTJ. Though this I have learned that I am a natural born leader. I am also energetic self-confident, strong-willed, and charismatic. However, I am also stubborn, impatient, and poor at handling peoples emotions. Like every personality there are good traits and there are not so good traits. By taking this class and realizing my good and bad traits I am able to be a better version of myself.

Other traits that I recognize in myself is that I am very bubbly and warm. As much as I love to be a hard worker, I love my social life just as much. I love to be out with friends and talk to new people. I also like to be there for people in need. Weather its volunteering or helping a friend though a rough time.

Additionally, I am very optimistic. I am so excited and hopeful about the future. Lastly, I am extremely organized I have my whole day usually planed down to a key. You do not want to see my google calendar.

Hopefully that gives you a little bit more insight on who I really am.

What have you been studying?

This is one of my first Master classes I am taking. I am also taking iOS development this quarter so that is the other one. I am going for a MS in Software Engineering. I also completed my undergrad at DePaul just recently in June 2020. I studied computer science with 2 minors in photography and graphic design. I was going to wait a little to go back for my masters, but I decided to just do it now while we are kind of stuck at home. I needed something else to do after work that was not watching Netflix.

Your degree/life goals?

I don't have too many goals for my life right now, I am still kind of figuring that all out. I know I want to get my masters and have a good job that I enjoy and eventually have enough money to move out of my parents' house. Other than that, I don't have any specific goals for my life right now. I just want to live my life as best I can and if I don't accomplish anything in life other than being happy, that's a pretty good life if you ask me. I have no idea what I want to do with my life I'm only 23 and that's okay! I will hopefully figure it out as I go.

Where do you work?

I am working at Discover as a software developer. I am on a team that makes updates and customizations in Jira. I just started this job in September 2020.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

In my spare time I like to hang out with my friends, family and be around people as much as possible. Some other things I also enjoy is photography. I really like black and white film photography. There is something beautiful about processing your own photos and it not being ready by a click of a button like digital. I also like to stay active. I enjoy working out and running. I am hoping to be able to run in some races this upcoming year. I have completed some 5ks and

10ks but am hoping to get some further milage down soon. Would love to finish a half marathon in 2021. Fun fact: I currently have 88 meddles that I have earned and am hoping to get to 100 by 30!

Where do you live?

I currently live at home in the NW burbs with my mom and dad to save money. I am hoping to pay off some student loans and move back downtown soon! Best thing about living at home however, is I get to hang out with my almost 14 year old golden retriever all day. She loves to attend all my work meetings with me. But there are times where shes snoring in the background of my meetings.

Breakfast?

Truthfully, I am not a very big breakfast person. In the morning I usually just have something small like a yogurt or banana. However, once a year on thanksgiving say we wake up at the crack of dawn and go to a turkey trot 5k. After the 5k we get breakfast with out family friends every year. Something about breakfast on this day after a run makes the pancakes and eggs and everything else taste so much better.

Crazy Meal?

During my Junior year in undergrad, I did a 2 week study abroad trip to Italy. I have no idea how to speak anything in Italian so I would google what everything was before I ordered as for I am a relatively picky eater. However, at this one restaurant in a very small town where no one spoke English, the dish I wanted was out. So the owner pointed at the menu and said "similar you like" so I went for it. And it was the best meal I have had in my entire life! I have never tasted something so flavorful and so good before. I don't even know how to explain how good it was all I know is it was so good I ate 2 that night. Also, this owner was so sweet he gave us free coffee and limoncello shots. All the food in Italy was so good. I ate so much while I was there, and now I'm hungry thinking about it. Here's a photo of my meal: