

Week in Review

This week I submitted three different assignments as a discussion post. The first was called A Course for Confidence, and I had to introduce myself as if we were in a campus classroom. I shared my goals, challenges I perceive I will encounter, and provide an inspirational quote. Although my inspirational quote was a bit goofy, my professor believed it to be a good redirecting of its meaning. Also, I had a reply from another student that shares my anxiety directed towards social interaction. My second assignment was called Anchor Points, and I had answer three questions: What have I done? What am I doing? What's Next? I used SWOT to answer my questions by identifying my strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats. I revealed that my strength was my work ethic, weakness was my communication skills, opportunity was Full Sail, and my greatest threat was my past of quitting college. Another student replied to my post, and she too understands that a good work ethic can be directed towards school. My professor also committed that she was shocked to see that communication was my greatest weakness, but ironically I was not clear enough in my post that speaking to other people is where my communication fails. I know what I want to say in my head, but it does not come out correctly. I am much better at communicating through writing. My last assignment was called Call to Action – Success! I was supposed to research a success story and reveal how it applied to my journey. My research was on the success of the mobile app development company Supercell. It was very interesting researching how they got their start, and discovering their failures before their success. They are one of the reason I am pursuing a degree in Mobile Development. Three other students found their story as intriguing as I did, and one of them plays Clash of Clans too.

Most of my time projections for my assignments were accurate. The only two that really took up a lot more time than I expected was setting up GitHub and figuring how to upload files to their online website. I have never used GitHub before, so it was really frustrating trying to learn how it worked. This week aided in my time management skills very well. The assignments that I thought wouldn't take very long were the ones that took up the most time. I know that when I get a deadline at a job I must do my best to manage my time wisely. I had a really crazy work schedule this week, so I was doing as many assignments as I could on my days off. This assignment is the only one I have not been able to complete before the due date. I will continue to complete assignments as early as possible, and complete them to the best of my ability. The assignment that added the most value was Call to Action – Success! I really enjoyed learning about where Supercell got their start, and I now have my very first inspirational quote. "We really want to celebrate maybe not the failure itself but the learning that comes out of the failure." – Ikka Paananen (CEO of Supercell). If I were to redo the first assignment, this would be the quote that I would provide. This quote also helps ease my threat of past failures with college courses, and it will aid in my future development as a programmer. I will not always be able to make my applications work perfectly the first time, but I will learn from my mistakes and make the next application better.

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