#### Interview #1

# **Generic Questions:**

- 1. Major, year, gender, hobbies, clubs
  - a. Master's of Health Administration (2019, second year)
  - b. Female
  - c. Watch TV, dabble in music (piano, guitar), cooking
  - d. Women in Healthcare Leadership, Cornell Institute of Healthy Futures, ECAASU
- 2. How often do you use applications on your phone or computer? How comfortable are you in using applications on your phone or computer?
  - a. Uses them a lot! (Daily)
  - b. Phone: Social media (Facebook, Messenger, Snapchat, Instagram, WhatsApp, GroupMe), Robinhood, Venmo
  - c. Computer: Chrome, Microsoft Office, Wanderlist (to-do lists)
  - d. Feels pretty comfortable using apps and new tech
- 3. What information would you be comfortable entering/What information do you want to input?
  - a. More cautious
    - i. Mobile banking you kinda have to, but always does it on the highest security setting; always has to answer security question
    - ii. Links venmo out of necessity
    - iii. Links Robinhood to bank account as well
  - b. Normally doesn't like submitting that kind of information, but has to in some situations
  - c. Feels safer through Venmo than through FB
  - d. Likes when there's branding and you have to enter actual login and username for the account (like bank account for ex.)
- 4. How often would you want to input this data?
  - a. Only want to input once
- 5. How would you want to visualize this data? (e.g. bar graphs, line graphs, a visual metaphor like a tree growing, words, notifications, etc.)
  - a. Graphs
  - b. Depends on the type of data
  - c. For a date, likes to see it on calendar; see things framed in some sort of context
  - d. Usually turns on notifications for external apps, like messaging or event reminders, email (same for computer)

## **Spending (Impulse Shopping) Questions:**

- 1. Are you concerned with your spending or want to track how much you spend?
  - a. Not concerned about spending, but would like to track it because it's the responsible thing to do, especially for future when making real income
  - b. If so, what do you use to track your spending?
    - i. Had Mint for a while, got tired of it
    - ii. Look at bank statements when pay credit cards
    - iii. Don't spend that much money in general

- c. What did you like or dislike about this method?
  - i. Didn't like repeatedly inputting payments
- d. Do you think you were successful in keeping track of you spending?
  - i. Yes, keep it in my head and exercise self control
- e. Are there any challenges you encounter when tracking your spendings? (Pinpoint one that they said and flesh it out more)
  - i. Not many because she doesn't really track it
  - ii. Asked about managing income after college
    - 1. Just good practice to know how much you're spending in different aspects of life
    - 2. Being able to budget out life, not currently doing that
    - 3. Parents help support me currently
- 2. Do you manage any investments or money using other apps?
  - a. What do you like about those apps? Is the data displayed in a certain way that you prefer?
    - i. Robinhood:
      - 1. Links directly to bank account
      - 2. Doesn't use that much, but likes that there's no fees
      - 3. Clean and easy to navigate
      - 4. Shows graph and trends of your overall portfolio and how much it's changing
      - 5. Also has actual current value
      - 6. Can adjust different time periods (trends over day, week, month, year)
    - ii. Bank of America: really convenient, ATMs not that accessible
      - 1. Online check deposits, pay bills, look at bank statements, don't have to use computer
  - b. What do you dislike about those apps? What features or other information would you like to see in those apps?
    - i. Mint: Tired of inputting everything (me problem, not app problem)
    - ii. Thinks they're okay and serve purpose that she uses them for
- 3. Are you comfortable inputting information about your finances (specifically) in an app?
- 4. What are your main goals when you're tracking finances and spending?
- 5. What features do you find useful when tracking finances?
  - a. Being able to come up with own categories
  - b. Simplicity
  - c. Guiding you on how to budget, don't know how to approach

## Interview #2

- 1. Generic Questions:
- 2. Major, year, gender, hobbies, clubs
  - a. Kaitlyn, Female, Senior, Information Science major in CALS

- b. Hobbies: design, art, creative writing, photography
- c. Clubs: AAIV, DTI
- 3. How often do you use applications on your phone or computer? How comfortable are you in using applications on your phone or computer?
  - a. Very comfortable, use them all the time!
  - b. On my phone 24/7
  - c. Apps that she uses on phone: Messages, Spotify, Mail, Slack, Pinterest, Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Messenger
  - d. Computer: evernote to take notes in class, photoshop + Adobe suite, Spotify
- 4. What information would you be comfortable entering/What information do you want to input?
  - a. Usually give everything they need
- 5. How often would you want to input this data?
- 6. How would you want to visualize this data? (e.g. bar graphs, line graphs, a visual metaphor like a tree growing, words, notifications, etc.)
  - a. Planning due dates and assignments use physical planner; has weekly and monthly view

## 7. Spending (Impulse Shopping) Questions:

- 8. How would you describe your spending habits?
  - a. Don't budget, most of money spent on food
  - b. If food, just buy without really thinking
  - c. If it's something i want, try to wait a few days (like ordering clothes online) to see if still want it
  - d. Hesitant to buy things other than food
  - e. once/twice a month will look on Fidelity/Citi bank to eyebball how much she's spent
- 9. What do you spend most of your money on?
  - a. Food
- 10. Do you have a budget?
  - a. No
- 11. Do you have a job?
  - a. Not an on-campus job
  - b. Supported by parents and income from internship
- 12. Are you trying to save up for anything?
  - a. Not trying to save up for trip to Asia (because already have the income), but being mindful about spending so that don't overspend
- 13. Do you manage any investments?
  - a. Investments in three stocks (Facebook, Google?)
  - b. Don't actively look at them
- 14. Do you think about how much you are spending when you buy something?
  - a. Always look at prices, think 'do i really need this?'
- 15. Do you spend a lot of money on others?
  - a. no
- 16. Do you use coupons? Or look for sales?
  - a. Yes, every time i shop online

- 17. Is there a specific time of year/month that you find yourself spending more than usual?
  - a. When i'm at school I use my own money but when I'm at home my parents support me
  - b. Around Christmas to buy Christmas presents
- 18. Are you concerned with your spending? Why or why not?
  - a. Am i deeply concerned? No, I feel very privileged in that sense but I sometimes worry about spending too much, so I try to be mindful
  - b. Don't think I'm the best at tracking expenses or budgeting
  - c. Do you impulsively shop?
    - i. Yes.
- 19. Do you track how much you spend?
  - a. If they answer yes:
    - i. If so, what method do you use to track your spending?
      - 1. Look at bank account
    - ii. What did you like or dislike about this method?
      - 1. Not necessarily like or dislike but think i should be more mindful
      - 2. Think i should spend less on food
    - iii. Do you think you were successful in keeping track of you spending?
      - yea
    - iv. Are there any challenges you encounter when tracking your spendings? (Pinpoint one that they said and flesh it out more)
  - b. If they answer no:
    - i. Would you consider starting to track your spendings?
    - ii. What would you consider in including in your trackings?
    - iii. What would you want to achieve if you track your spendings?
- 20. Do you use any money apps? (Whether it be for tracking or not)
  - a. Use Fidelity and CitiBank which are linked to credit cards
  - b. What do you like or dislike about those apps?
    - i. Like: feel like they're pretty easy to use, good job at telling me what I spend on and where
    - ii. No strong dislikes
  - c. What kind of data is displayed to you? (graphs, lists, pictures, etc)
    - i. Is there anything in particular about the way that this data is displayed that you like or dislike?
    - ii. Just shows how much is in bank account and how much you spent in that month
    - iii. Can see transactions when you click on that amount per month
  - d. Are there any other features or information that you would like to see in those apps?
    - i. Want to see more analytics to see what, where you spend and budgeting aspects
    - ii. Don't have the prettiest UI, but they're ok
- 21. What would be your main goals if you were to track your finances and spending?
  - a. Reduce frivolous costs and cut back, be more frugal
- 22. What is your ideal way of tracking your spending?
  - a. App on Phone

- 23. What information do you want to be able to see/understand from your trackings?
  - a. Ways that i can cut down costs and be more frugal
  - b. Analytics
  - c. Budgeting aspect
- 24. Are you comfortable inputting information about your finances (specifically) in an app?
  - a. If it is my bank, yea, depends on the credibility of an app
  - b. Wouldn't feel comfortable with new app that i don't know

#### Interviewee #3

- 1. How would you describe your spending habits?
  - a. Only spend money on food, groceries
  - b. Occasionally amazon
  - c. Outside of rent, utilities, car
- 2. What do you spend most of your money on?
- 3. Do you have a budget?
  - a. No , and don't "want" because I don't have a sense of how much i would normally spend
- 4. Do you have a job?
  - a. Ya, currently TA
  - b. Direct deposit goes directly to chase app and workday keeps track of it all
    - i. Just get final amount
- 5. Are you trying to save up for anything?
  - a. No
- 6. Do you manage any investments? no
- 7. Do you think about how much you are spending when you buy something?
  - a. Ya, I'm frugal, but
  - b. Its not that we didn't have enough to spend, but when we did spend, very cognizant of the prices
  - c. Unit prices
  - d. Think a decent amount before buy
  - e. Compare prices
- 8. Do you spend a lot of money on others?
  - a. Ya, not in gifts but like treating people
  - b. Like buying a drink for someone
  - c. Or providing what she already has so she's not spending
  - d. But not a gift giver
- 9. Do you use coupons? Or look for sales?
  - a. Don't really use coupons
  - b. Lured by sales and deals
- 10. Is there a specific time of year/month that you find yourself spending more than usual?
  - a. Black friday still look at deals, but allow self to buy more because its like a one time thing

- 11. Are you concerned with your spending? Why or why not?
  - a. Do you impulsively shop?
  - b. Not concerned don't spend too much and am thoughtful about purchases
  - c. Sometimes at the supermarket she just grabs things
  - d. And when with friends its a social thing
- 12. Do you track how much you spend?
  - a. If they answer yes:
    - i. If so, what method do you use to track your spending?
    - ii. What did you like or dislike about this method?
    - iii. Do you think you were successful in keeping track of you spending?
    - iv. Are there any challenges you encounter when tracking your spendings? (Pinpoint one that they said and flesh it out more)
  - b. If they answer no:
    - i. Would you consider starting to track your spendings?
    - ii. What would you consider in including in your trackings?
    - iii. What would you want to achieve if you track your spendings?
  - c. Answer:
    - i. Do not currently track
    - ii. Tracked the past couple of semester in an excel spreadsheet but don't know how to make it useful for me
      - So it would only last like a month into the semester and get overwhelmed with other things so wasn't convenient
      - 2. Tried to categorize (school, food, rent) spendings
        - a. Column with method of payment
        - b. Cost
        - c. Venmos
      - 3. Got confusing, so much going on, didn't know when people venmoed her, or just spend and just forget about it.
    - iii. Keeping track of how much to venmo others/others venmo you is confusing and hard
    - iv. Something that will help her organize better
      - 1. Something with options like setting own categories
        - a. And selecting payment method
        - b. And if others paid you
      - 2. Pie chart with fractions of spendings towards what
      - 3. Trends showed what times she spent more/was more impulsive
    - v. Goal: know how much of what i'm making is being spent
      - 1. See how much i can save
      - 2. Recognizing how much i'm spending because i'm really not aware.
- 13. Do you use any money apps? (Whether it be for tracking or not)
  - a. What do you like or dislike about those apps?
  - b. What kind of data is displayed to you? (graphs, lists, pictures, etc)

- i. Is there anything in particular about the way that this data is displayed that you like or dislike?
- c. Are there any other features or information that you would like to see in those apps?
- d. Answer:
  - i. Chase app
  - ii. Like: pretty simple, easy to read, color coded (red/green)
  - iii. Where and how much money is spent, date,
- 14. What would be your main goals if you were to track your finances and spending?
- 15. What is your ideal way of tracking your spending?
- 16. What information do you want to be able to see/understand from your trackings?
- 17. Are you comfortable inputting information about your finances (specifically) in an app?
  - a. Ya, not really

Trend idea is something that you wouldn't think you needed - but something that "opens" your eye

- Like weight or sleep
  - I can calculate the amount every night/day
  - But over time it's hard to see if you don't' sleep well consistently
- Trend function is very useful

#### Interviewer #4:

## **Generic Questions:**

- 1. Major, year, gender, hobbies, clubs
  - a. Project Manager, Female
  - b. Clubs: CBS
  - c. Hobbies: cooking, baking, crosswords
- 2. How often do you use applications on your phone or computer? How comfortable are you in using applications on your phone or computer?
  - a. Pretty often, comfortable only for apps that i feel like are necessary
  - b. Habitica to track daily habits, youtube, bank apps, check daily steps, feedly (RSS Feed to keep up with articles), Messenger
- 3. What information would you be comfortable entering/What information do you want to input?
- 4. How often would you want to input this data?
  - a. Once every two weeks
  - b. Except when need to write data w/out receipts
- 5. How would you want to visualize this data? (e.g. bar graphs, line graphs, a visual metaphor like a tree growing, words, notifications, etc.)
  - a. Don't need metaphors
  - b. Percentages are helpful for spent vs budget
  - c. Don't care if it's written or bar chart as long as it's obvious and understandable
  - d. Month to month comparison suuuper nice  $\rightarrow$  want overall picture
    - i. Visualize if something is super low and excessive, be able to easily identify

#### **Spending (Impulse Shopping) Questions:**

1. How would you describe your spending habits?

- a. Very dependent on how much money I have
- b. When I was a student, parents fully funded me so I kept track and didn't spend too much money but I didn't have to be so up-to-date
- c. Now because I'm using my income, I have to check that I'm getting the income that I'm supposed to and I keep track of expenses a lot more
- 2. What do you spend most of your money on?
  - a. Rent!! (that's it)
- 3. Do you have a budget?
  - Yes, after that it's probably ministry (CBS) related things (\$200/month), travel and car (\$300 for gas and insurance), food kinda varies because now share with Aaron (boyfriend) (\$50-\$100/month)
- 4. Do you have a job?
  - a. yes
- 5. Are you trying to save up for anything?
  - a. Trying to save in general, not for any specific purpose
  - b. Don't like the idea that she has 0 net profit?? Per month
- 6. Do you manage any investments?
  - a. no
- 7. Do you think about how much you are spending when you buy something?
  - a. Yes, for sure
- 8. Do you spend a lot of money on others?
  - a. If ministry (church/CBS) counts then, yes
  - b. Don't mind buying people food or going out, if they want to
  - c. Wouldn't eat out myself but I don't think about it
- 9. Do you use coupons? Or look for sales?
  - a. Yes, don't really use coupons but look for sales
  - b. Don't really keep track of it though
- 10. Is there a specific time of year/month that you find yourself spending more than usual?
  - a. Holidays
  - b. travel
- 11. Are you concerned with your spending? Why or why not?
  - a. Yes in the sense that my rent is way too much for how much money i'm making
  - b. Don't know how to reduce other expenses, but feel that i can't change except for personal expenses, which are already at a minimum
  - c. Do you impulsively shop?
    - i. no
- 12. Do you track how much you spend?
  - a. If they answer yes:
    - i. If so, what method do you use to track your spending?
      - 1. Collect receipts
      - 2. Once every 2 weeks, input all that into excel document where I keep track of all expenses

- 3. Review bank account and see if there are any expenses not accounted for
- ii. What did you like or dislike about this method?
  - 1. Gets the job done, sets it up myself so I like how much i start and end up with
  - 2. Can see how much \$\$ spend in relevance with budget for that category
  - 3. Know how much \$\$ I save or spend over budget
  - Don't like it because not very sophisticated, have to do manually which I don't mind
    - a. Makes me go item by item
    - b. If I make a mistake anywhere, then all the calculations can be wrong
- iii. Do you think you were successful in keeping track of you spending?
  - 1. yes
- iv. Are there any challenges you encounter when tracking your spendings? (Pinpoint one that they said and flesh it out more)
  - 1. Said earlier, hard to find mistakes and method is easy to mess up?
  - 2. Have budget month-to-month, so it's hard with reimbursements or other charges that go over more than 1 month
  - 3. Two bank accounts and forget which card used, so have to check which is another extra step
- b. If they answer no:
  - i. Would you consider starting to track your spendings?
  - ii. What would you consider in including in your trackings?
  - iii. What would you want to achieve if you track your spendings?
- 13. Do you use any money apps? (Whether it be for tracking or not)
  - a. What do you like or dislike about those apps?
    - i. Don't really dislike anything
    - ii. Easy to track what's going on
    - iii. For one of them, don't know how to find account number which is kinda annoying
    - iv. Don't use bank apps to transfer money
    - v. For venmo, still makes me nervous to transfer money back to my bank account because one time i tried it was processing and didn't go through so I had to try again
  - b. What kind of data is displayed to you? (graphs, lists, pictures, etc)
    - i. Is there anything in particular about the way that this data is displayed that you like or dislike?
    - ii. Typically list, every single purchase and when it was processed
    - iii. Showed money that's still being processed
    - iv. Bank of america has a graph that compares expenses and income but she doesn't look in detail because she looks at Excel sheet so she already knows that
  - c. Are there any other features or information that you would like to see in those apps?

- i. Nice to **categorize** things but it doesn't have to be in the bank app, can be separate
- 14. What would be your main goals if you were to track your finances and spending?
- 15. What is your ideal way of tracking your spending?
  - a. Honestly, don't know if I have any
  - b. Excel is pretty comfortable for me, wouldn't want to do it everyday because it's stressful
  - c. Nice to have something in days when I don't have receipts; always write on notes and input Excel later, so would want to have a place where I can write that down properly
    - i. Dates are important to me!
- 16. What information do you want to be able to see/understand from your trackings?
- 17. Are you comfortable inputting information about your finances (specifically) in an app?
  - a. If it wasn't linked to my bank account I would be ok with it
  - b. Don't know how I feel about linking bank account