What was the most useful strategy you learned during this course?

The time management strategies were very useful considering I am working full time and struggle at times to juggle my working hours and my study week.

How will you apply this strategy in your future studies here at UoPeople?

I have realized that there are 2 days during the week where I have the most time to complete the difficult projects and the time consuming projects without too much pressure on my work life or fears of being late for work.

What was the most surprising thing you learned this term?

I learnt that my grades won’t always be what I expect and that there is actually an avenue to request a review of them, something I never even thought would be necessary.

Why did it surprise you?

I never thought I would be graded unfairly.

Peer assessment is a unique education model.

Think back to how you felt about peer assessment at the beginning of the term, and compare that to your feelings now.

How have your feelings changed?

No, as I have been in a peer assessment environment before, my expectations were pretty accurate. The peer environment I was in before was based on the French university Ecole42 where, “The 42 program takes a project-based approach to progress and is designed to develop technical and people skills that match the expectations of the labor market.”, ¹(42, 2021).

Are you more comfortable with peer assessment?

Yes, it provides an avenue for self-reflection. University of the People provides exactly what this article suggest is needed in a peer environment: “Give them the tools they need to self-reflect easily and in-depth.”, ²(Author, 2020).

Have you learned something new while assessing your peer’s work?

Yes, I have seen some answers and perspectives that made me think more critically about my own work I submitted.

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