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Mapping to Project Part 3

In the past, I attended Colorado State University. The institution was smaller, had lower stakes, and did not have many resources to work with. The University of Washington, on the other hand, is an incredibly intensive institution overflowing with all kinds of academic and career opportunities. There are so many avenues to take that were never possible back where I came from. While I'm studying at the University of Washington, I hope to learn as much as I can about computer and electrical engineering, in addition to a few other topics, such as business management skills, software engineering, and artificial intelligence research.

I've experienced many things up to this point, all challenging in one way or another. These have shaped what I value in life. Namely, my value of public health. Many members of my family have struggled with one major medical difficulty or another, and I hope to one day alleviate these issues for others through developing medical devices. As of now I am currently pursuing an electrical and computer engineering major, which can be used in the field of medical devices, and it's what my current academic plan is based on, although I am highly considering a biology major or a biology minor down the line.

When evaluating my career options, the most important factors to me are whether the career has any meaningful purpose to others now and in the future, and especially if the career has a meaningful purpose to the community I live with. In the past my main career goal was to get into software engineering, although much of that field is no longer invested in creating meaningful products. In fact, many people are starting to steer away from apps and technological

bloat in general. People will always require medical aid in one way or another, and medical devices fit that need, which is why I wish to stick to that path.

Campus engagement activities included the Phi Delta Epsilon medical fraternity and the office of merit scholarships, fellowships, and rewards. I attended all the rush events for Phi Delta Epsilon, and got to know many of the members of that fraternity, in addition to learning many of the events and opportunities they offer during the year. Unfortunately, due to a technical error, I was not able to send in an application for the fraternity, although I do plan on joining the frat this spring quarter. Throughout this entire quarter I've been searching for scholarships using the Office of Merit Scholarships, Fellowships, and Rewards' scholarship database. I have found several I qualify for, and have been working on those applications.

At the University of Washington, I want my support systems to be with academic fraternities, career coaches, and the connections I make with professors and students on campus. To make this happen, I need to stop thinking and start acting. I first need to keep tabs on all the events that happen on campus in my calendar, start setting up appointments with advisors and coaches, as well as practice mindfulness so I do not get overwhelmed on all the opportunities that I can take at this institution.