

I think that everything involved with the API was the hardest to implement (excluding the fetch calls since we used those in HW3 and CP3). I think it would have been best for me to have completed CP4 even though it was optional for seniors because it would have given me extra practice with this stuff. I also had a fundamental misunderstanding of the project itself through the early stages. I didn't understand what "making our own API" meant. I thought we were building an API for an external website and accessing data from that, not making it self contained.

I found the videos most helpful, especially when there were demos included. I think that seeing this stuff in practice is a really effective way to learn it since we get to see the bugs and common mistakes along the way. It gave me a good idea of the proper thought process to have when building something like this. I also frequently went to office hours for this project, which was really helpful. I tried to go after watching the videos, so that I wouldn't have repeat questions. Office hours were especially useful when I was stuck on something and had no idea how to solve it.

I did indeed work with a partner on this project. My partner is a non-senior and I am a senior, so there was a mis-match of urgency to get this project done. I ended up doing over 3/4 of the backend and not being able to incorporate the code he wrote. My partner was behind in his classes due to an injury, which added to the unevenness of the work distribution. I think seniors really need to be partners with seniors. I think it's a bit unfair that students who know other students in the class are able to find partners easily, a random matching system for everyone would be more equitable.

I was unsuccessful in implementing POST. I couldn't get the client-side code to work. I should have been more proactive on this one. I probably could have figured it out in office hours, but am currently out of town and unable to work on the project tomorrow.

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