

Weekly Report 16

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Getting Work Done

This past week in ISM has given a deeper insight into how the rest of the year will pay out. I completed the original work portion of the class as well as finished the display board for the research showcase. Although the end of the year is over, there are still things that must be learned in order to feel prepared to one day be a professional in the field of service dog training.

The original work was a challenging aspect of the class. This forced thinking out of my comfort zone. My goal for the future is to own my own veterinary practice so having a background in studying business and understanding what goes into starting a company (choosing a structure, targeting a demographic, tax returns) will allow for this aspect of owning a vet practice to be easier to complete once that time comes. Learning the information about business has sparked an interest to learn more, so in college, I am looking into minoring in business which would be beneficial to do in addition to majoring in vet-med. This will create more opportunities because the knowledge of topics is varied. Being able to have advanced knowledge in both business and vet-med makes it possible to get jobs in management or the marketing aspect of the veterinary field.

Overall, there is more insight into what the future may look like with the newly acquired knowledge of what it takes to start a business as well as what is required to make money. Although it was difficult to conduct research relating to how to start a business legally with the lowest starting cost, I found it is easy to talk about both the topic of service dog training as well as business legality, taxes, and structure. This will help in speaking with professionals in all types of jobs.