## Updating My Portfolio

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The Independent Study Mentorship program is a wonderful program that allows us to showcase our work throughout the year. However, in order to fully take advantage of the program, its necessary to update our portfolios.

This past week in ISM I had the chance to update my physical and digital portfolio and advertise it. In doing so, I was able to share my extensive research this year with others around me.

As someone who has a less artistic taste for web design, I faced challenges in deciding how to make the digital portfolio most aesthetically pleasing. In order to overcome this obstacle, I drew inspiration from other sites that appealed to the eye while also keeping a style of my own. By incorporating both elements into the website, I was able to make the website aesthetically pleasing while maintaining an identity of my own. Another challenge that arose was making the website responsive for both mobile and desktop. However, this was easy to overcome after some tinkering with the Weebly website editor.

Reflecting for the future, updating portfolios is a massive step toward generating successful research. The digital portfolio serves as an easy way to let others know about your research. This is also helpful for other endeavors in the ISM field with showcasing your work so far and knowledge in the field to potential mentors. Additionally, this digital portfolio goes beyond the ISM journey and can be used to showcase the high quality of work and experience you have in the field to employers. The portfolio is a non-trivial step in achieving overall success in the ISM program and your career as a whole.

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