First Semester Synthesis

Weekly Report 17: 1/1 - 1/7

The first semester of ISM was filled with hardships and sucesses; however, it was the culmination of these experiences that allowed me to grow myself as a whole. Starting off first semester, the transition into the ISM program was generally pretty easy as I was able to quantify my personality into my personal branding.

However, the struggles started during the contacting phase of first semester. Finding professionals to contact was difficult because of the narrow scope of my field in the Dallas area. It was during these times where I relied on my creativity and thought of innovative ways to connect with professionals. The struggles continued through the presentation phases as presenting was not generally my strong suite.

The final aspect of first semester was the original work development. Reflecting upon this, this was easily one of the easier parts of first semester because my research and interview techniques proved to be effective and my extreme passion for the field of computer vision allowed me to solve problems with ease. This also served to be a growing experience in terms of my technical skills as I added a new field of knowledge into my brain.

Reflecting for the future, in second semester I would like to improve the lacking aspects of first semester. For instance, I hope to spend more time improving my presentation and connection skills. Additionally, in regards to the final product, I would like to continue working on my original work and focusing on expansibility, and accuracy. First semester overall was successful; however, I believe second semester has lots to explore and learn upon.