Face to Face Meetings

Weekly Report 7: 9/30 - 10/6

While initializing contact via a call or email to a professional can oftentimes be easy, the face to face meeting is a whole new experience. Despite this new experience, face to face meetings are essential in order to get the most out of the professional world.

This past week in ISM I had the opportunity to initiate face to face interviews via business symposium and scheduled interviews. In doing so, I came out more refined with excellent feedback and information regarding my professionalism and topic.

Upon conducting the first interview, I received feedback about aspects of my interview that I had not at all realized. This information yields helpful for future interviews for decreasing the amount of erroneous actions. Additionally, these interviews illustrated some obvious flaws in my preparation. They showed that when going to an interview, I must be prepared with a certain objective and ask questions that make the interview flow in a manner such that it becomes a conversation rather than a question and answer session.

Reflecting for the future, the skills gained from the interviews next week are not just skills to be used in ISM but in life. The skills are universal and so should make the rest of my journey in ISM easier but more importantly, heavily contribute to the overall success of my career. Furthermore, these preliminary interviews have given me an idea for the general outline of what an interview consists of and so future interviews will have a smoother flow. Collectively speaking, these interviews have allowed me to take yet another step towards me becoming a full-fledged professional.