

## Eyes Back On Track

Weekly Report 10/22/18 to 10/28/18

This week, considering a Research Assessment had to be written, the goal was to schedule an interview with an optometrist. Luckily, an informational interview was successfully scheduled and now an Interview Assessment can be written for next week. This is a personal success because it has been difficult to persist through multiple declines on the phone. By continuing to cold call despite the constant rejection lately, it is exciting to finally get a second interview. This week's research about how diabetes affects vision will help me with my Original Work project. By having an interview next week, the idea is to apply what has been learned, and make any connections, additional notes, or follow-up questions, based on how the interview goes.

In addition to scheduling the second interview, all the work that has gone into ISM thus far was put into a Portfolio binder. By printing out all the assessments, annotated articles, and reports and placing them in sheet protectors, it was satisfying to see all the hard work go into one place. When everything is in one place, it is amazing to see all the commitment that has been put into ISM. Even though the binder is filled with tons of papers, only more will be added to the Portfolio. It will be interesting to see what the Portfolio binder looks like at the end of the Semester, nonetheless the end of the year.

Going into next week, it is essential that S.M.A.R.T. goals are created soon. These goals should help set the pace for the next few months of ISM. Starting now, ISM is beginning to become more individualized and solely based on how the students spend and make use of their time. Hopefully these goals will help keep the progress on track and assist in making the Original Work a little less stressful and hard. Also, going into this next week, it is vital that the Original Work proposal submitted last week is revised, in order to create a more clear plan for what will happen over the next few months. Overall, the performance this week has been consistent and the goal is to maintain that same mentality, in order to hopefully receive another interview.