

## Improving On My Presentation Skills

Weekly Report 12- 11/5 to 11/11

This past week in Independent Student Mentorship, the research presentation occurred. The skills needed to present a 10 minute presentation on my topic were not ones that came easy to me. However, as preparation for this presentation took place, confidence in myself grew as practice was done more often. The ability to talk about my research topics and interviews with enthusiasm and no formula or script was a goal of mine from last week. I feel I achieved this goal due to the fact that throughout my presentation, I was talking almost effortlessly about what has been studied by me this year.

However, by watching other presentations, like the ones of the students who did this last year, many things that need to be improved on came to mind. For example, pacing myself and using little to no filler words seemed to be a problem. By the time another presentation needs to be presented, a goal of mine is to prepare so much that the nervousness that was felt this time disappears and I am able to give a great delivery, in terms of eye contact, voice control, minimal fidgeting, etc.. By doing this, it will help to prepare me for not only school presentations, but also presentations that will be used throughout my architecture career.