

## The Start of a New Journey

Weekly Report 8/21/17 to 8/27/17

Throughout this past week ISM introduced how the limitations and struggles of the real world should not affect one's pursuit of their passion. Throughout our daily lives we are met with constant troubles and various factors which may affect or guide our passion whether it is in a beneficial or disadvantageous way. I, myself, experienced this first hand when we were given an introduction into the ISM workload and agenda. At first glance the class seemed like a burden and possible cause for more late nights and sleep deprivation, but upon further exploration I had begun to understand the possibilities and true scope and scale of what could be accomplished during my time here. When a guest speaker, Ms. Julie Martin Leslie, came to Reedy last class, she explained how no matter what passion we choose to pursue, we should follow through with confidence and a positive attitude even if we run into challenges or failures at times. Ms. Leslie also explained how it is necessary to step out of our comfort zone in order to achieve our goals and follow our dreams which we have set for ourselves. Last week I was able to really get myself into the proper mindset and focus for ISM while this coming week I will be sure to take advantage of my time in class in order to really start making progress toward my topic and the goals which I have set for myself.