

Finishing Touches

Weekly Report 1/8/17 to 1/14/17

Throughout this week focused all of my efforts preparing for the research showcase the following week. I worked on putting the finishing touches on my board, finalizing my digital and physical portfolio, and finishing my original work. During this week in class we also discussed some important communication tips such as small talk and expected behavior during the showcase while also discussing general information for the showcase. In addition, I also reached out to several contacts once again in hopes of attaining an interview and possibly a mentorship but to avail. Throughout the past interviews I had I just felt that each interviewee did not do specific enough work in my topic of study and I still needed to find someone who did more work with FDM and CNC machining. As of now I am focusing on reaching out to whichever contacts I can through asking previous interviewees, using the internet, or even people within my circles such as friends of friends. Unfortunately, for the showcase, I will not have a mentor, but I strive to have one or at least interview a potential mentor in the next few weeks. While the search for a mentor will continue throughout this week, my primary focus will still be on finalizing my original work, portfolio, and board to a presentable state. In the upcoming weeks I will begin to focus more heavily on a final product idea as well as the mentor search; aiming to reach out to more contacts and scheduling interviews. With the calendar in mind, one can easily see how quickly due dates can approach with the product proposal and calendar being due less than a month from now. In addition, having a mentor available would also aid greatly in the brainstorming process as well as possibly the creation process of my final product.