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My Journey

Dear Professor,

My aim is to become a project manager and I’m trying my best to learn everything about it. This semester has been the hardest one so far. One of my classes (Surveying 1) is in the morning at 8 AM and this class most of the time is outside. Because of the season, I don’t think it was a good idea to take this class. I faced physical problems related to the temperature as the lab classes were held outdoors. Besides that, I had lots of projects and homework of other classes. Sometimes I needed help badly so that time I need to ask my friend JB to help me out.

I thought my major classes were hard, but I was proven to be wrong. I am struggling with understanding ENG 1121. As English is a subject at which I’m still improving, even at the end of the semester I was finding if extremely difficult to put the last homework into order.

In this class, we had 4 units. In the first unit, I wrote about “Fear and Cure” which was about my mom who I want to be with for my whole life. It was hard to express the feeling while writing. I was tasked with writing an essay on freedom. I chose to write on the war between Bangladesh and Pakistan which started on March 25, 1971 and ended in December 16, 1971. My brother then told me that freedom is not always about a sovereign state. He told me that freedom can also be about mental growth of a person. He gave me a couple of passages to read. For the first time I understood that anything can be a pathway to freedom whether it’s through learning, writing or even through a war. I can definitely now say that the freedom is first earned by conquering fear.

For unit two, I did some readings on genres which I liked. The Professor asked us to select a skill what we always love to do. It was a great way to analyze a hobby. Anything can be changed into a new form. I chose cooking as my genre. I selected a recipe and then I made a spreadsheet reflecting on the cost to cook Chicken Tikka Masala. I used my dad’s work as an example to create a spreadsheet on cooking cost.

On the third unit, we did some research about what is our argument/problem from our last unit? My main problem is using the right amount of the ingredients. The amount of ingredients differs for even the same dish because of dietary and health reason. Due to personal reasons I did a small study on Keyigenic Diet. This study helped me find a new way to diet for myself as well. Ketogenic means less in sugar. It is useful in healthy diet; a ketogenic diet is the one having high fat and low carb content. The high fat content increases ketone content in body and use it for energy.

For unit 4, we were asked for video or technical skill and it had to be on our genre topic. Its Ramadan time and I thought I’m going to cook Sana Baji (Chickpea fry with diced onion and green or red spice pepper) and show it to everyone, how I do it. Usually during Ramadan, it’s a traditional food.

Thanks to all of my professors, they helped me a lot this semester. Now I’m waiting for my grades. I hope I did great.

Sincerely,

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