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Home has the answers

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In most stories and movies the main character usually travels a great distance into an unknown land to discover who they are and they usually have some deeply insightful moment that changes their life.

PLOT TWIST – for me, it happened in reverse.

Two years ago now I moved from Rancho Cucamonga, CA, to Washington, DC, to study Strategic Public Relations at The George Washington University's Graduate School of Political Management. To date, all that I have learned at GWU has developed my technical skills and given me the confidence to pursue a more challenging career path.

My graduate school M.O. has been to go after any opportunity I could. Around the summer time I heard about the Career Quest San Francisco program through my school's newsletter and decided to apply. Two things stood out to me: that it would be in California (!) and that it is the first time the program would venture to the west coast.

I applied to be part of the Career Quest program and hoped for the best. After several weeks of waiting and hoping I would be able to participate I received an email notifying me that I would be part of the cohort going to trek Silicon Valley and meet GWU alums. Excited is not even close to what I was.

Now looking back at the week I toured premier organizations, I realized how lucky I truly was to be able to be part of the program. Career Quest changed my perspective and my own outlook on what to look for in a career and employer. Culture and fit over job title will be what makes you happier. The glitz of a title fades, but being happy about where you work and who you work with is more valuable. In the long run, it will also make you happier. As much as I have learned from being at GWU, it was refreshing to be back in California and learn more consequential life lessons at home.

Thank you, Career Quest!

Picture(s):



(Sorry

about the blurriness! My phone's camera lens was covered w/oil from Umami burger)

