

As a senior at The George Washington University majoring in Communications minoring in Journalism & Mass Communications and Fine Arts with an interest in moving to NYC after graduation, this trip seemed like the perfect opportunity. I applied to this trip with a lot of excitement but with some doubts. My main doubt was that in a room with over 10 students and only a couple of employers how could I possibly make an impact. This doubt was quickly erased after a couple of minutes into our first meeting at Grey Communications. The employees of every company, whether a recently hired associate or the president were all very interested in hearing what we had to say and wanting to make sure we had the best experience. It's not everyday you have the president of a major organization giving you his business card saying to email him if you have any questions. At every stop I felt like my questions were important and that they were really interested in getting to know us not only as a group but as potential employees.



(View from Google NYC)

Throughout my time at GWU I have had 4 internships, ranging from fashion to politics to entertainment to non-profit, all within the communications umbrella. As graduation approaches, I still have no idea what aspect of the communications industry I wish to pursue. This trip helped me make decisions about my future that I may never have been able to decide indefinitely without this experience. Other thoughts about my future that I had before this trip were reassured and I left New York feeling more confident about my future than ever before. My confidence in talking to those who are older and more experienced than me also increased from this trip and I feel as though I will now perform better in interviews.

I would highly recommend this trip to everyone, from those who know they want to go into the media/communications world to those who have no idea what they want to do. I think this trip was

very beneficial for juniors, seniors, and graduate students and it seemed as though no student left New York City with any regrets. As an added bonus, I now feel way closer with members of career services, particularly those who know most about the field I want to pursue, and feel comfortable going to them with any questions I have or when I just need some advice. For me, Career Quest '16 made a huge impact on my confidence and in helping me make decisions about the future.