

Culminating Project Presentation Preparation -- Questions for Consideration

A successful presentation will discuss each component of the Culminating Project: your community experience, research paper and portfolio. The following questions are designed to help you brainstorm ideas for your presentation; however, it should not be used as an outline for your speech. You will need to organize your presentation in the manner that is most interesting and logical for you.

Community Service

- How did you spend your community service hours? Why did you select your particular community experience?
- Who was your supervisor? How did you arrange to work with your supervisor?
- What were your goals for your community service? Did you achieve these goals?
- What did you learn? What was most enjoyable?
- Did you face any obstacles in completing your community service? How did you overcome these obstacles?
- How was your community service a stretch for you? Did your experience take you out of your comfort zone? Why or why not?
- Did your participation in your community service impact your plan for after high school? If yes, how?
- How did your community service relate to your research regarding your chosen passion, issue or career?

Research Paper

- What is the topic of your paper? How did you select this topic?
- How does the paper topic relate to your community service hours?
- Share highlights of your research. What were the guiding questions for your research? What were the main areas of focus for your research? What was your position? How did your research support your thesis?
- How does the research demonstrate new learning?

Portfolio

- Reveal your post-high school plan. Are you ready for the entry level of your plan? What have you done during high school to prepare you for your next step? To what extent has your educational experiences (9-12) prepared you for the next stage?
- What aspects of your portfolio are you most proud of?
- What contents of the portfolio tell us the most about you?
- How does your portfolio demonstrate growth and learning?
- In what ways does your portfolio demonstrate academic excellence?