

Research Assessment #9

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On Wednesday, January 17th, Frisco ISD hosted an ISM Research Showcase at the Ford Star in Frisco. All ISM students were invited to come and by doing so, we were able to showcase the research that we have done throughout the year, our original work, and our topic of study among other ISM related things. Each student had the opportunity to set up a display board with information pertaining to their specific topic of study along with their research portfolios. The showcase was from 6:30 to 8:30 PM giving us ample time to speak to many different people about our learning experiences over the past semester. I really enjoyed my time at the showcase because it allowed me to actually put the knowledge I acquired throughout the year to good use by educating other people about it.

Before the research showcase started, we were able to walk around and look at other people's boards. I noticed that, while my board wasn't messy or unappealing, it lacked some of the creativity that other boards had. For my final presentation in May, I will need to try to come up with a more original and unique way to arrange and decorate my display board. In addition, I should also come up with a tangible prop to add to my display. Although it will be somewhat difficult since my field of study doesn't have many tangible symbols, I think it will add greatly to the overall appeal of my board and invite more people to come and see what I did throughout my year in ISM.

Almost every person that walked up to my display asked about my original work and final product. When I told them what I had planned, everyone seemed quite impressed and surprised by the incorporation of a 3rd world country into my facility. This was a good sign because it showed that my final product exhibited a good amount of difficulty and that it was not a conventional or overused idea. I got excited talking about my field of work and what I plan to do with my study this year. I realized that I was way more excited talking about administration than I ever was when I used to talk about surgery and this realization reinforced my confidence in choosing to pursue healthcare administration. In addition, it inspired me to try to look ahead and see if I truly see myself pursuing this field in college and as a working adult (I do :)).

Another popular topic of discussion at my board was the comparison of healthcare expenditure around the world and the chart with comparisons of health-related outcomes between the United States, Singapore, United Kingdom, and France. Many people were surprised by the massive amount of money the US spends on and the mediocre results we get despite our spending. I had not delved into the topic

of healthcare spending super extensively when I was conducting research for my original work, but the interest of many people in that subject has inspired me to research it more extensively for my final product or maybe even just for another research assessment.

All and all, I am very happy with how the showcase went and how well I was able to directly answer people's questions. I am also very pleased with the results of my research over the course of the past semester and I cannot wait to continue to study and learn more about the field of healthcare administration!