

## Find Your Purpose

Independent Study Mentorship

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After attempting to find my way out of the desert that I am currently stuck in with my lack of interviews, I found myself unmotivated and irritated. I didn't expect my failure to follow me into the next week, but it did. After getting my hopes up with an interview that only lead to me being turned away again at their office, I felt quite devastated. But being the stubborn individual I am, I kept asking myself, what can I do to motivate myself and how can I become better from this?

Initially I thought this meant I needed to reshape my image to make it more appealing or completely reshape my diction since it could potentially be what is causing receptionists to run and flee when I speak with them over the phone. However, after deep reflection, I came to the conclusion that although I need to be continuously building myself to be the best I can be, I also need to remember that there will times where failure is necessary in order to reach success.

This altered my mindset to focus on what my purpose was for ISM: to learn and grow in my understanding of veterinary medicine. Although I didn't feel like I had been achieving this at the time, I have grown to understand that I can still fulfill this purpose through research.

As my endeavour to attain interviews continues, I need to remind myself that this shouldn't inhibit me from expanding my understanding considering I have a myriad of information available for me to absorb.