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Project Success has opened my eyes to many skills that I was lacking before I enrolled in the class. My facilitators Mrs. Elaine, Elyssa, and Kelly taught me all about the tools that I needed to be successful. Most importantly, I was educated about, the “rock” of success in my and my facilitator’s eyes, time management. If I would not have taken anything else from my experience with PS, it would have been this. Other things that I learned about include, but definitely are not limited to, goal setting and the importance of reflective writing.

I have accomplished many things since my days as a Project Success student. After being in the class, I went on to become a PS peer facilitator. Being a peer facilitator was also rewarding in the fact that I was now a role model to other students and that meant while keeping in mind my new goals and aspirations, I had to set a good example for the students that were looking up to me. While challenging myself academically and being involved in numerous extra-curricular activities, I have kept an above average GPA and have even made dean’s list!

As for my future plans, after achieving my undergraduate degree in Psychology from Virginia Tech in spring ‘09, I plan to attend graduate school to attain my master’s degree in Counselor Education at VCU. This is a big step closer to obtaining my goal of becoming a guidance counselor.

All in all, I must say that while Project Success is not the only means of acquiring the skills to becoming successful, it was and still is a huge savior to me and I hope that it can be to others, too!