

Design Thinking Reflective Letter Assignment

To Whom It May Concern,

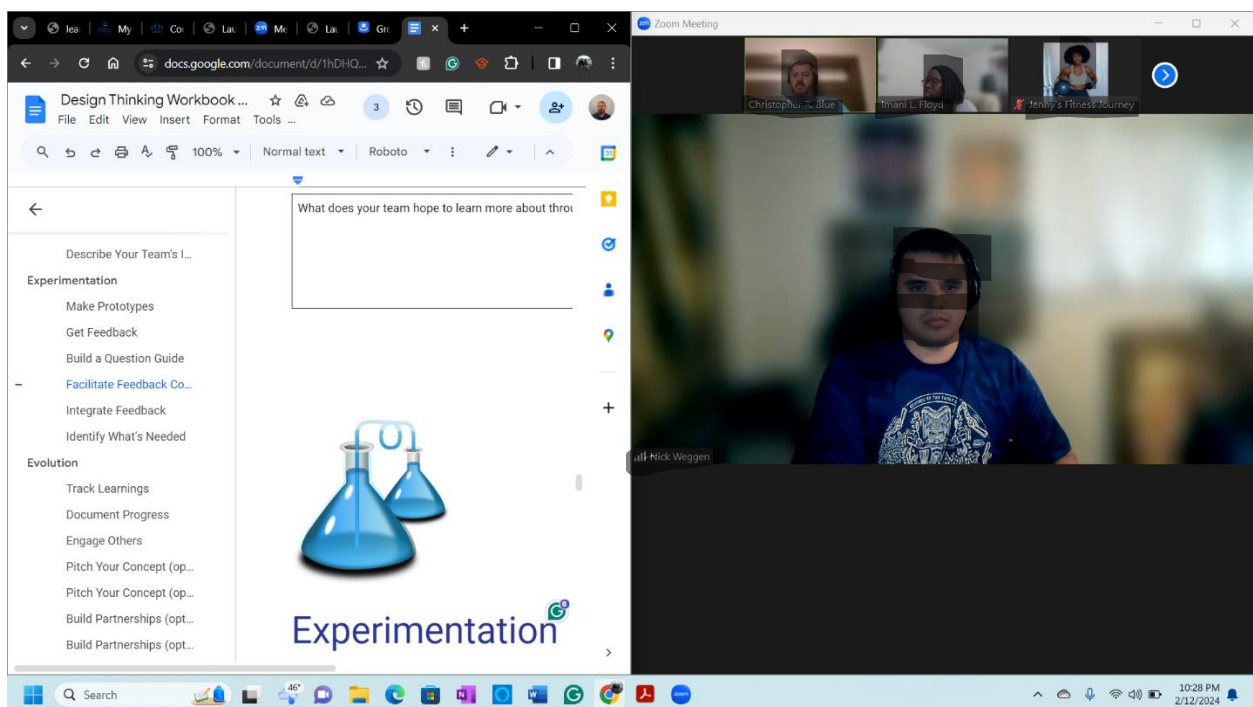
I am writing to show that my time in CPD-414 has helped me tremendously. The vlogs show how much I read and learned each week. The vlogs helped me review content and talk about it. (<https://www.loom.com/share/3dba848e75154a6495337131b4daa86c> , <https://www.loom.com/share/c2597a87769e4bfebf671b9f98a944d8?sid=cce8bdff-56aa-4c11-9bc9-23383e289653>) These are just two examples. I excelled at the process by which we created our prototype. My group put all our ideas down, and then we came up with the following image:



Before, I never knew about collaborating with a group. This class has helped me with the rules and steps to developing an idea. As a Human Resources major, this class has taught me about empathy. I will talk to people about issues daily, and utilizing empathy will significantly help. My vlog from week two talks about empathy:

(<https://www.loom.com/share/875e61957bd64627916d257e57dd8374?sid=bf2587ab-b417-43cc-924a-9c758f874c9b>)

The process by which we used design thinking has greatly helped me, especially in online collaboration. In an online world, this knowledge is vital to my career in Human Resources. Here is a picture of us collaborating:



Design thinking will be a skill that will help me quite a bit throughout my career. The Peer Assessment form is something that I will be utilizing but on a different level. It will be a way to compare myself to my peers at work. This will be vital for yearly evaluations for my work.

Peer Evaluation Form # 1

Name: Christopher Blue

Date: 01/20/24

Write the names of your group members in the numbered boxes. Then, assign yourself a value for each listed attribute. Finally, do the same for each of your group members and total all of the values.

Values: 5=Superior 4=Above Average 3=Average 2=Below Average
1=Weak

Attribute	Myself	1.Jay W.	2.Imani F.	3.Nicholas W.	4.Antoinette
Participated in group discussions.	4	5	5	5	5
Helped keep the group on task.	5	5	5	5	5
Contributed useful ideas.	4	5	5	5	5
How much work was done.	4	5	5	5	5
Quality of completed work	4	5	5	5	5
Totals	21	25	25	25	25

Jenny: 5,5,5,5,5 – 25

Proud of my team, everyone is coming together nicely.

I find the 5 stages of Design Thinking to be incredibly versatile and applicable to various aspects of my life, including work, home, and school. These stages include Empathize, Define, Ideate, Prototype, and Test. I am grateful for the opportunity to attend Old Dominion University and can confidently say that the knowledge I gain from this course and others will undoubtedly contribute to my professional growth and future success.

Thank you,

Christopher Blue