

This week was my favorite so far! I did some work with planning topics for my show, having my second show for my internship, and creating my show playlist for the rest of the semester. This week made me more comfortable in the process of being on air and preparing for my show.

Last Thursday, I did pretty well for it being my first show, but I knew there was so much I could improve on to make my time on air seem more natural rather than scripted. I knew that in order to do that, I needed to bring some guests in that would help me create and practice in a more natural atmosphere while on the air. So, I immediately thought of inviting two of my teammates to come on air with me! The first person that came to mind was my roommate, Janelle Adams, a grad student here at Alliance University. I knew she could give me some insight into what it's been like living here in New York for the past five years and provide her experiences as one of the older girls on the team. I then thought it'd be a good idea to bring in someone younger than us, one of our freshmen, who is barely experiencing their first year of college. Jyla Thomas, one of our freshmen, was perfect for this role as she is outgoing and can make great conversation. After they agreed to do the show with me, I started planning topics we could talk about.

This week's show started earlier than usual, as we were ready to start right when we got to the studio. We began our show at 1:30 and ended at around 2:15. What was good about this show was that, with the compilation of the music and conversation, our show lasted a reasonable amount of time but felt fun and short. I did not want to put so much pressure on the girls, so I knew I had to take control of the conversation and plan the timing of my questions perfectly, and it worked out smoothly. I first had the girls

introduce themselves so listeners could get to know them. Allowing them to talk about home and about themselves to begin the show made them comfortable.

After a quick music break, I tried something new. Before we began, I asked my Instagram followers for questions they had, having them choose what they wanted to hear. So many people asked about our hometowns in California, New York/Jersey City, places we enjoy visiting and eating at, and how our experience has been, which was great as many new topics spouted from answering these questions! It was also a very natural and fun atmosphere, which made the experience even better. Again, I ended the show with my Throwback Thursday song segment, requested by the girls who were on the show with me.

Creating my playlist for the rest of the semester was both easy and hard. I knew the genres I wanted to incorporate into my show, mostly R&B, Pop, and Latin Pop, so I went straight to my own Spotify albums to look for these songs. After listening for a while, I saw that I only had a handful of songs saved for my show. I never realized how many songs imply or say bad things, which would be really inappropriate for my show. Thankfully, I found some songs that I plan to play in my future shows, incorporating requests from my family and friends for my Throwback segment.

Overall, it was an enjoyable and productive week at Lynette Out Loud (LOL). I feel like I learned so much more about what's best for me and my show and how I could make it more entertaining. I learned from last week's mistakes and made them up during my show this week. As time goes on, I will continue to adjust in order to make my shows as good and enjoyable as they can be. I am very excited to see how the rest of my time as an intern goes, and I hope I continue to progress as time goes on!