

This week was different, but I enjoyed it. I went a different route from my regularly structured shows and tried something new, which is always cool. Although it was a pretty busy week for me, I knew how I wanted to run my show, what I wanted to talk about, and what music I wanted to play. This made me feel ready for my show in all the days leading up to it, and thankfully, I did not stress at all, as I had other weeks before. I also got the opportunity to help Brad with a special segment he had in mind and choose songs he could play on the radio.

As mentioned above, I had more of a busy week when it came to things outside of the radio show internship, but I was excited and ready for my show. Because it was my 5th show of the semester, I wanted to practice having a solo show rather than inviting someone in. Even though I always enjoy having guests on my show, interviewing them, and having conversations with them, I decided to use the opportunity to practice a solo show, as the final for this class will be solo. Also, I got too comfortable with having my friends tag along in the past few weeks, so being alone this week took me a bit out of my comfort zone.

My show this week took place on its regular scheduled day, Thursday, and I started at roughly 1:20 pm. The first part of my show consisted of me speaking about my upcoming Florida trip that I will be taking with the AU softball team. I talked about how I will see my family on this trip, what we plan on doing, and how I think we would do as a team. I found that giving my listeners an update about my day or week works best for the beginning of my shows because most of my listeners are from back home and are curious about my days living in New York City. I then decided to create a change of structure in my show and play my Throwback Thursday song first. The song I chose to

play was “You Belong With Me” by Taylor Swift. I chose this song in honor of Women’s History Month, and the fact that Taylor is one of the most prominent female artists in the country made her perfect for my segment.

After playing this first song, I decided to talk a bit about my final for this course and what I plan to discuss. I wanted this show to be an opportunity for me to practice speaking alone on air and speak about one of the school's values, how I’ve seen it in action during my time year, and how it has affected me. I decided to speak about the core value of being Intentionally Diverse. This is not one of the core values I plan to discuss in my final, so I thought using it as practice would be good. With the school's intention of being diverse, I spoke about how studying in a school and being part of an athletic program that consists of people with unique personalities, different cultural backgrounds, and customs has been an interesting experience. I also spoke about how quickly I have formed bonds with different people, regardless of the fact that we grew up in different parts of the world and with different morals.

This week was also exciting as Brad asked me to send him songs for the radio that reminded me of summer and vacation. I assume this is for a summer or end-of-winter segment, which I think is a pretty cool idea for the radio. I always enjoy contributing to these segments because I believe my interest in R&B and Latin music adds more diversity to the overall show.

Overall, it was another enjoyable and productive week at Lynette Out Loud (LOL). This week was a week of growth for me as my show did take a change in structure compared to past weeks, and speaking solo was an excellent opportunity to practice for my final. I plan to have one more solo show before my final to make sure I

am prepared for my last show, so that is definitely something to look forward to, and excited to experience it again.