

Happy Halfway

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As I hit my halfway point at my internship for 102.3 WHIV FM (radio programming dedicated to public health, human rights, and social justice), I have grown more confident in my decision to pursue public health as a major. I have begun to do more in depth work and networking. I started writing my own public service announcements about our free HIV clinics and the significance of getting tested. I have also networked with other departments of Odyssey House, including their OHMEGA program, which helps house and help minority women with or at risk of HIV/AIDS. I have also started engineering live shows that we have during the week,

which includes meeting special guests and making sure the shows run smoothly. I'm usually on the radio about 3-5 times every day.

So far most of my goals are in the process of being met, which is incredible! I have now learned not only the research side of public health, but also the media approach and awareness tactics. What I plan to achieve next includes figuring out how I can take this amazing experience and apply it on campus. I was recently offered a spot on the News and Views segment of WTUL since a few friends heard that I had some experience. My next project for my last few weeks is to make a fifteen minute segment on something that I am interested in. I have decided to discuss the "Tulane bubble" and how people who come to school here in New Orleans don't really choose to see the real New Orleans. I have been conducting a few interviews and researching where the "Tulane bubble" came from. I'm looking forward to what the next few weeks lies ahead for me.