

One Road Leads to Another

Every week the Independent Student Mentorship students progressively prepare more and more to start to reach out to professionals. This requires putting together professional resumes and doing more research about their fields of interest.

For the research assessment this week, students looked for articles about their topics written fairly recently by credible sources. The Reedy Library put together a great research source for the students to use in the Mackinvia database. This resource is a collection of pertinent databases that the students can use to find credible information about their topics. At this point, the hardest part of doing research to do the assessments is finding relevant and accessible articles that are a reasonable length. I had one idea for my research assessment when I began it, but after doing more research, the main idea of my paper shifted from “History of Architecture” to “Architectural Theory and Vitruvius.” The research and articles that I found led me to do more research about the author of *De Architectura*-- Vitruvius (15 BC). This book details classical architecture and is nearly the foundation of architectural theory, or the writing about and discussing of architecture. From this one research assessment, I can tell that this year will be full of one road of curiosity leading to another.