Capstone Part 4: A Cautionary Tale

Guys, don’t be like me.

Be organized and on top of things. Write your Capstone proposal in the spring before your senior year. You know what, write it in the fall. Write it when you’re a freshman. Whatever you do, don’t write it on the Thursday the weekend before the last day of add/drop.

Wow, that’s an embarrassing thing to admit to the whole internet.

Please don’t judge me, Commonwealth Honors College Community of Really Awesome and Organized and Prepared Scholars (that’s our long-form name, abbreviated CHCCRAOPS). I am a procrastinator until the very end—the actual last pebble at the edge of the cliff is where I’m going to jump and hope I make it to the other side. You guys have been drawing up plans and building bridges, but not me. I’m not proud of it, it’s just the way it is.

I’m telling you this as a cautionary tale. I’m writing this on the Friday before add/drop ends on Monday, and I have crossed all my fingers and toes and limbs in hope that my committee members 1) have received my proposals 2) will read my proposals 3) will approve my proposals 4) will remember who I am and that they agreed to be on my committees when we talked in the spring. I am basically (to steal clever phrases from friends) a pretzel of hope and anxiety.

Once I get some emails back and I can start breathing again, I’ll talk to you about actually
writing the proposals, but for now could you just cross your fingers for me?

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