

Artist Statement

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I think it is safe to say I do not have the most conventional environment for writing. I have always had extreme problems with focus, and I could never seem to get things done in a timely manner. I think my video clearly shows that I can easily get off topic and procrastinate my work. Although I somewhat enjoy writing I still find myself pushing it off until the last possible minute.

I think my priorities are probably not the same as a lot of the people viewing my video. From a young age I have always enjoyed being social and seeing my friends. This has not changed in college, and I often find myself prioritizing fun before work. I love going to parties and meeting new people, but I also enjoy having a dinner night with just a few friends. Regardless, I spend a lot of my time being out and about.

Another thing that my video depicts is my sleeping schedule. I am the first to say that I do not have the healthiest sleeping habits like in my project when I am not waking up until almost 5 p.m. I try to stay awake and go to class during the weekdays, but my lack of sleep sometimes takes more of a physical toll on my body, and I find myself being sick more than I used to be. I am also not the biggest fan of the dorm life. When writing I like to have my own space and be away from people, which is hard to come by when living in a huge dorm building. This is another reason I prefer to work late at night. I can talk to my friends and go to the lounge without having to be bothered by other people. If you know me, you know that my friendships mean a lot to me, which is why I had a two-hour window of time where I talked to my friends from home. This is something me and my friends do every single night, and it gives us a chance to catch up and talk about our days. Since me and my friends grew up together, we have all known each other for a very long time and it is weird not being able to see them every

day. If I'm being honest, I miss them with all my heart. Therefore, I spend a great deal of time talking to them.

The environmental aspect of my writing process included me turning the temperature down in my room. Being hot is one of the most irritating things, in my opinion. I don't feel as productive when I am hot. I also must eat before I start working because, as I like to say, you cannot write on an empty stomach. When I am hungry, that's all I can focus on, and I will not be able to work as productively. Even though my video was a little more lighthearted, I do take my homework and grades very seriously and though my habits are not the healthiest, they work for me, and I am able to maintain my work and get good grades.