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# Step 1 - The Interview Stage

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# Interview Questions

1. How do they [college students], go through a regular day at University?
2. Think back to the most recent 'meaningful friendship' you've made - Did you meet them online or in person? (From here, we can build off more questions, i.e. - where or how did you meet in person, or online?)
3. Does social media play an important role in your social life? If so, how often would you say you are on your phone/social media accounts on a daily basis?
4. Did you find yourself interested in attending club meetings, or doing extracurriculars outside of class, etc.? How is that aspect of your college life?
5. What is something you think your university could do to help ease your transition into making friends at university?

# Findings/Patterns

- Everyone has this in common: Would like to have that chance to make friends but there isn't that leisure of time. (i.e. full time student, full time/part time job, or taking care of children)
- 2 of the interviewees had this in common: Use social media on a daily to keep up with friends.
- 2 of the interviewees had this in common: Go to class, and then leave to immediately get started on the assignment given. They would make a friend in class only if they HAD to. (i.e. group project)
- Everyone had this in common: Met their closest friends in person not through social media online.

# Quotes that led us to those findings/patterns - First Interviewee

"I don't have time for [social media]. I start my day with school, then back to my kids."

"I go to class, and run to pick up my kids."

"I've made friends from classes" [not through group work]

# Quotes that led us to these findings/patterns -

## Second Interviewee

“Because of social media and the reminders of certain things I can try to correlate my time properly to see people I haven’t seen in awhile or again if I haven’t seen them in a bit and I know they’re online then I can try and catch up that way versus not speaking to them due to time constraints.”

“I met my friends, not including you guys, there was one person I met in my chem class...we had a problem [with an assignment]... then after that we exchanged numbers and then we just started hanging out around campus if our schedules met up.”

“Generally I do like the clubs that Montclair has it’s just I don’t have the time.”

# Quotes that led us to those findings/patterns - Third Interviewee

"I have to stay [on social media] to communicate with my friends."

"Class Class Class then I have my work schedule .... Then class again."

"I met [friends] through an event at school."

"During class I feel you don't really have time to make friends."

"Near the end [of class] you have to talk about how do you wanna do the assignment."