

What have you learned in your post-secondary education that will give you a firm foundation to make a living, make a life and make a difference?"

Throughout my post-secondary education, I learned many valuable lessons and skills that have given me a firm foundation to make a living, make a life, and make a difference. The most important skill I developed throughout my first year of college was independence. For the first time, I was all on my own. I had my own deadlines, own room, own time, and I had to learn to manage everything I had going on properly. Learning how to stay organized and responsible is a skill that will help me make a living, build a meaningful life, and difference as I continue on with my life. I also gained knowledge while in my first year of college. Through group projects, assignments, and coursework, I learned how to work with peers, communicate, problem-solve and think critically. All of these traits are essential in the workplace and will help me to be a lifelong learner throughout my career while making a living. Learning how to collaborate and work with people is especially important to me as I am wanting to work in the business world in the future! In addition, I learned the importance of community. Throughout my time at the University of Iowa, there were many opportunities to meet new people and try new things. Being active within the community is a great way to make a difference in people's lives for the better while making a life. I aspire in my future career and life outside of my career to be active in the community and truly make a difference in people's lives. Making people's days brighter and better is seriously one of my favorite things to do! All of my experiences throughout this past year have provided me with the skills necessary to make a living, make a life, and make a difference. Through everything I do, God is my ultimate firm foundation and is with me through it all.