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Symposium Report

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The research symposium was a great experience for me. For the entire summer, I had been engrossed in the trivialities of my research. Creating the poster at the end of the summer forced me to stand back and look at my research from a layman's perspective. It gave me an important perspective on how research fits into society.

I enjoyed seeing my peers' research, and getting to see what everyone else had been working on all summer. Explaining my research to the people who decided to attend the symposium was also a good experience, because I had to be sure that I knew it well enough to talk about it confidently. In my future career as a researcher, these skills will definitely come in handy.

My summer research experience would not have been complete without the symposium. I am glad that I was able to present my research in an academic setting, but informally enough that I could be comfortable and not worry too much about the consequences of the presentation. It was a great way to test the water and see what it is like to be a researcher, just like the rest of the summer research project. Now that the year is beginning, I am excited to carry my research through and present it at more conferences, while continuing to build a more and more robust research project.

I am very thankful for the opportunities that participating in the summer research program here at the University of Puget Sound exposed me to. I am also thankful for the valuable knowledge that I gained, as well as for the entire experience in general.