Weekly Report 8 10/8 - 10/14 Minor Setback

This week was supposed to be the first week of interviewing with professionals, but unfortunately, unforeseen circumstances delayed the interviews. My first interview with a legal professional was planned for Monday, but after tearing my ACL the day before, the interview had to be pushed back. However, this provided the opportunity to do further research on a topic within criminal law that has a large effect on lawyers and also provided a new platform to enhance learning through future interviews. My original goal for this week was to have a successful and informative interview, but due to a last minute change in plans, new goals had to be set for the week. This extra week of research before interviews provided time to solidify my knowledge in any areas that felt lacking, as well as introduce new topics that would be a good point of discussion in interviews.

Managing my time efficiently was of the utmost importance this week due to an unexpected schedule change. However, being able to have a flexible schedule is one of the great aspects of ISM, and even though my time was not spent at an interview, being adaptable enabled me to write another research assessment on a fascinating topic and reach out to more professionals. Researching the limitations and benefits of attorney-client privilege allowed for deeper insight to the responsibilities of lawyers and how a client's openness with their lawyer can deeply impact a case. This topic is also a great talking point that can be brought up in interviews to learn more about the conflicting outlooks of the current confidentiality agreement between lawyers and their clients.

My goals for this upcoming week are very similar to the ones planned for last week as my original schedule got pushed back a week. Nevertheless, this past week still allowed me to expand my knowledge on the topic of criminal law which is my overall goal for ISM. Remaining positive and continuing to reach out to professionals will be a continuing goal of mine for the next few weeks in order to obtain more interviews and gain real world knowledge of criminal law