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Write about an accomplishment from your academic career that makes you proud. Why?

An accomplishment from my academic career that makes me proud is receiving an A- in 353 (Methods of Inquiry in Child Development). This class was one of the most difficult classes I have taken in my college career. I had heard so many horror stories about how hard it was. I was told that the average grade for the exams in that class were D's. I put as much effort as I could in the class, and studied extremely hard for the tests. I ended up getting B's on both of the exams, which I was very pleased with. I also put a lot of time and energy into my research paper. I never have written a research paper of that magnitude before. We worked on our research paper in sections throughout the semester. I feel like this was the most effective way to properly write a complex research paper. We also completed statistics assignments that were also challenging tasks. I had to refresh my memory of math since I had not had a math class for a few years. We usually had a statistics assignment every week where we would enter data, analyze the data, and figure out if the information was statistically significant and if our hypothesis was supported. These statistics assignments became more manageable as I started becoming more used to completing them.

After the completion of this class I had proved to myself that hard work and dedication in a class can lead to doing better than I imagined. With the many assignments we were assigned from a day to day basis I remained positive and motivated, which I think mainly led to my success in the class. Although, I had never been so stressed out about a class in my life. This class was constantly challenging and overwhelming at times, but I successfully made it through. I was satisfied that my hard work had paid off, and I earned the grade I felt I had deserved. During the same semester, I also received straight A's and made Dean's list. I was very proud of myself and my parents were thrilled. They still place a high value on me receiving good grades, as well as I do.