

One professional that I interviewed works in the healthcare profession as a dentist while at the same time he owns his own office, his name is Michael Pierce. I was interested in learning more about his field because of his position as a health care professional and a business person. I did learn some key things about the industry. First and foremost because he owned his own office, while being a health care provider, he did still need to be business savvy. On that same note, I realize a lot more went into being a good healthcare professional, you not only have to keep up with the latest techniques and continue to brush up on trainings, but you also need to have people skills as well as be a good networker. By networking you generate business, and therefore it is an ongoing circle, and more than just the medicine is involved. By learning about this one sector, it gave me insight into how much is involved in owning your own business as well as being a doctor. Aside from just providing your service you rely on other groups to provide their products so that you can run smoothly. The main issue with this is that in order for you to be perceived as reliable, you need to make sure that you are doing all you need to do as well as make sure that you surround yourself with other professionals who are doing the same, as a means of support. Although I am not interested specifically in dentistry, I feel that it has many parallels to being a doctor in general, especially when it comes to owning an office as well. The main thing that I got out of this interview was to remember that you must work on more than just your medical skills and that honing all of your skills will get you furthest.

The other professional was a lawyer focusing on the environment named Jordanne Wilson. I was interested in finding more out about her sector of law and how she came into it. Speaking with her was very interesting because it shed light on the fact that there are many other types of law out there besides the most commonly shown. Speaking with her really showed me that there are so many types of law and one will inevitably line up with your interest. Speaking with her also cleared up some of the pressure of deciding now. Although time is running out when it comes to law, it helps to have some idea but not to be totally set because you may find that that sector of law was not at all what you thought it would be like, so it is important that you are open for change. Another thing that I learned was that because of the many fields that law encompasses, people have come from very different backgrounds of study and therefore have different ways of approaching things, which is fine as well. What this interview really helped me figure out was that there is a sector of law that cover almost anything that you want an also that if you are willing to work hard yet stay creative then it is all within the realms of possibility. It is important however, to surround yourself with great mentors to learn from.