**Individual Professional Development Plan – Erin Axeman**

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| **Goals** | **Knowledge and Skills** | **Activities and Experiences** |
| Long-term  1. Work as a veterinary technician  2. Go to veterinary school and earn my DVM  3. Specialize in veterinary nutrition | Problem solving, critical analysis, communication, time management, organizing, writing, networking | Research experience, internships, taking courses |
| Intermediate-term  1. Graduate from Longwood University with a B.S. in biology and a minor in neurostudies  2. Earn an associate degree to become a Veterinary Technician | Problem solving, critical reading/writing, critical analysis, communication, constructive feedback, time management, organizing, delegating responsibilities | Taking courses, study groups, technical training, mentoring/tutoring |
| Short-term  1. Improve in CHEM 112  2. Earn and A in French  3. Get an A on my Math 301 test | Time management, organization, prioritizing, communicating | Taking the class, going to tutors, study groups |

Support People and Their Roles:

My mother, my brother, my friends, my professors, my mentors and my classmates

They all support me and encourage me when I need it. Family and friends also provide emotional support.

Contingency Plan:

The largest roadblock in my plan would me not being accepted into veterinary school. If that happens, I will probably work harder and find new ways to improve myself and apply again. If I am truly unable to become a veterinarian, I plan on working as a veterinary technician, or maybe specializing in something else related to animal health and care.