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This summer I worked with the Frampton Construction team on the Booz Allen Hamilton / SPARC expansion and renovation. I spent a week in the Frampton office being trained in company policy and culture. I was able to see the two main parts of the company at work, operations and pre-construction. After a week in the Frampton office, I worked on site, acting as an assistant project manager, working with a superintendent and project manager. My daily activities included taking meeting minutes, overseeing all on-site construction activities, writing weekly reports, and constructing a green construction analysis for the project.

I based my green construction analysis on LEED guidelines, but scored the project in a slightly different way, so that Frampton would be able to provide the client with information of the sustainable practices that Frampton’s pre-construction team incorporates into all their projects. I went through all the sub-trade product submittals and extracted data from the submittals. In addition to this, I took photos of the objects so that I could include the objects visually with the data I gathered. I made a spiral booklet from this information and presented the project in an OAC Meeting (Owner, Architect, Company).

The experience I gained at Frampton is incredible because of the variety of people I was able to meet while working for two months. I spent time with owners, architects, insurance companies, real estate developers, and bankers as well. The team at Frampton could not have been any more gracious and thoughtful to my summer. They took the time to teach me as much of the business as they could, and their diverse internship gave me insight into the way several professions collaborate in this field of work.