I composed an original chamber opera.

I explored the politics of public health care with my professor.

I analyzed environmental impacts of vertical farming.

Start with curiosity. Study what you love. Make something happen. The process of learning is for you to explore. It will result in something new. Eamon Foley created an original dance-theater piece, "Hero," as his senior thesis. Foley wrote, directed and choreographed the show performed on campus.

Produce

Pursue Your Passion
I was inspired while reflecting on campus.

I brainstormed ideas for my thesis with friends. My adviser helped me develop an original research topic.

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Passionate about programming, Katherine Ye’s senior thesis led to faculty research collaborations, a scientific paper and a conference presentation. She’s now at graduate school pursuing a Ph.D. in computer science and has interned at Google Brain.

As a first-generation student from a public school junior Nicos D’Angelo didn’t know Greek or Latin before coming to Princeton. Today she’s a classics major who has studied in Greece and Rome. She plans to pursue a Ph.D. in classics with support from a national scholarship for promising students in the arts and humanities.