

# **Laidlaw Scholars Programme**

## **Leadership-in-Action Review**

### **Week 2**

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## **Week 2: 29 May – 4 June**

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### **Progress and achievements:**

Drafted study proposal and outline. Started planning the study timeline, looking for prospective interviewees and reaching out to relevant organizations. Designed questions for interviews and conducted several trial interviews with actual interviewees to test the questions.

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### **Difficulties and challenges:**

At this phase, the interview questions drafted were very general and not specific enough. The trial interviews showed that interviewees may easily divert from the specific topics and issues that need to be addressed in detail. It indicated a need to narrow down the interview questions.

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### **Room for Improvement:**

After discussing with my supervisor, it was found that the issue above occurred due to insufficient literature review. If throughout literature review and case review was done before beginning the interviews this problem may have been prevented.

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### **Self-Reflection:**

Taking into my supervisor's advice, I paused scheduling interviews and moved forward the task of literature review and case review, so that I can amend the mistake of beginning interviews before completing a thorough background review.

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### **Leadership:**

This week highlighted the mistake of insufficient literature review in conducting a study. Being able to acknowledge, learn from, and correct mistakes are critical attributes to a future leader.

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