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This week was a little slow compared to last week. On Memorial Day, we went to the Arlington Cemetery, which was an amazing place. There were so many people from all over the country, and we were able to see the ceremony for the Veterans in front of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It was breathtaking and a great way to end the weekend. On Tuesday, it was my first day of work. As I walked in to the Department of Education building, I was nervous yet excited. While I waited for Emmanuel, my supervisor, I got to meet one of my coworkers. Soon Emmanuel met with us and introduced me to other interns. I am the only one from the west coast, but we are all Latinas, which I thought it was amazing. We chatted a little about what each one of us is interested in and also learned about the projects of the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics. We learned that the rest of the week would be working online because of the office space situation. So, I technically did have two days off. Nevertheless, I took advantage of those days to finish my last assignment and to study for my finals, and I was excited to get out of my room and enjoy the humidity of DC. On Friday, CHCI had a workshop in the Facebook office. This office is like no other office I have ever been to. They had game machines in their offices and so many snacks. I enjoyed my time at Facebook. The stories of the people who worked there made me realize that sometimes you may not necessarily end up where you think you would. Sometimes you end up doing the unimaginable. We also had an etiquette workshop, which not only we talked about how to interact in a formal dinner, but also how to approach people who you want to network with. I look forward to next week, finishing my term, and finally getting started with work.



