

# PSM

## From a Graduate's Perspective

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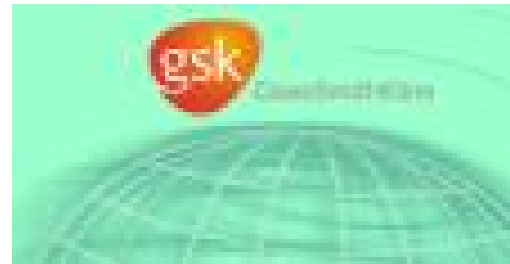
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# Overview

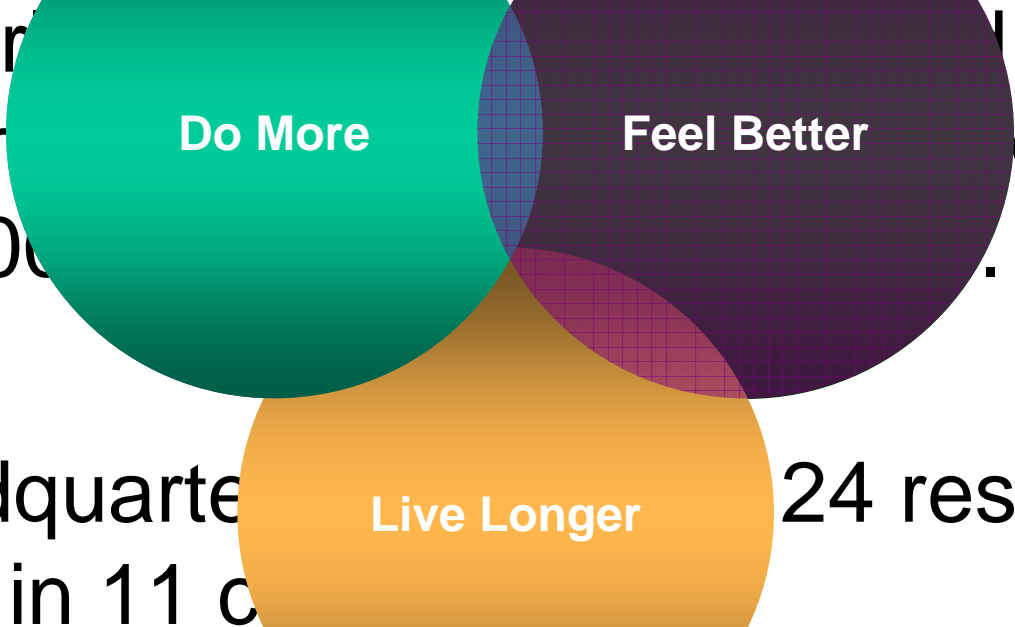
- Personal Background
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# Personal Background

- B.S., Microbiology
- Minor in Genetics
- Goal: to be a productive scientist in the pharmaceutical industry



# Current Employer: GlaxoSmithKline

- A world leader in pharmaceutical research and development with over 100,000 employees. 

The diagram consists of three overlapping circles. The top-left circle is green and labeled 'Do More'. The top-right circle is purple and labeled 'Feel Better'. The bottom circle is orange and labeled 'Live Longer'. The circles overlap in the center, creating a central area where all three intersect.
- Headquarters in King of the Court, NJ. 24 research sites in 11 countries.

# Benefits of the MMB program

- Take PhD and MBA level courses
- Interact with industry professionals
- Obtain industry relevant experience
- Required Internship

# Four Pillars of a Strong Scientist

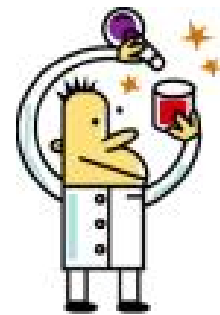
- **Communication:** learning to communicate the bottom line
- **Team Work:** conflict resolution, personalities, loyalty
- **Problem Solving:** thinking outside the box
- **“Real-World” Experience:** learning the culture

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Science Masters



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A Strong Scientist



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# Job Search & Employer's Response

- Internship
  - “Getting a foot in the door”
  - Allies in industry
- Industry Cases
  - Presentation skills
  - “Real-World” knowledge
- Team Work Aspect
  - Impressed with focus on teamwork



Industry contacts  
Communication skills  
Leadership & Teamwork  
Discipline & Flexibility  
Real world experience

**Broaden Your Horizon**