Research Scientist Journey Map

Moments that matter

Inputs
- Family
- Teachers
- Employment
- Financial resources
- Test Scores

Questions
- Who am I?
- What do I want to be?
- My interests and values
- Pay and career path
- What skills do I need?

Decisions
- College: going & where
- Field of study
- What do I want to do?
- Where's the best opportunity?

Emotions
- Fear
- Uncertainty
- Pressure
- Confidence
- Excitement

Obstacles
- Grades
- Lack of perspective
- Pedigrees of HS
- Lack of experience

Influences
- Parents and peers
- News/social media
- Teachers
- Geography/neighborhood
- Cultural expectations

High School
- Students are particularly vulnerable to influence, and may not feel encouraged to pursue careers in science

University
- Questions asked and decisions taken here are foundational not only to progression, but successful progression

Grad School
- High risk of deviating from fed track and/or departing research completely

Post Doc
- Peak innovation, feeling of liberation, tendency towards collaboration, and empowerment to disrupt status quo

Career

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