

## **Journal**

**April 18th to April 22nd**

This week I carried out my teaching practicum only in 11th grade because on Mondays and Thursday those days were some internal procedures of the school. On 11th grade, everything was good. Just good. I have to be honest and mention that I do not know what to do with those students in terms of behavior. I try, and try to follow the recommendations of my tutor but those girls are not easy to deal and some of them are leaders but in a negative way.

As I was a student too, I tried to be in their shoes and try to manage the situations in the best possible way I can, but some of them get you crazy and I have to count from one to ten in order to relax. I believe that students have to respect teachers more than they actually do. The government protects too much children in some aspects, that gives them some power that leads to some problems and one of them is to be disrespectful with other people, and as they know that they can do all they want because the law protects them. I keep talking with my tutor about some strategies to control the classroom and have some management control. I have gained some knowledge in this short period and I want to continue learning, as I know that it could be worse in other contexts.

Therefore, not everything is bad. Some of my students are very good with me. They are engaged with my classes, they show me that they are willing to learn to get good grades at ICFES exam. In addition, they express that now they are learning English and I explain very well according to them. Those simple words meant the world to me in classes because it helped me to overcome my frustration powered by the rest of the group.

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**Pedagogical practice II**