

Agile Project Advisors: Theory to Practice in Program Development

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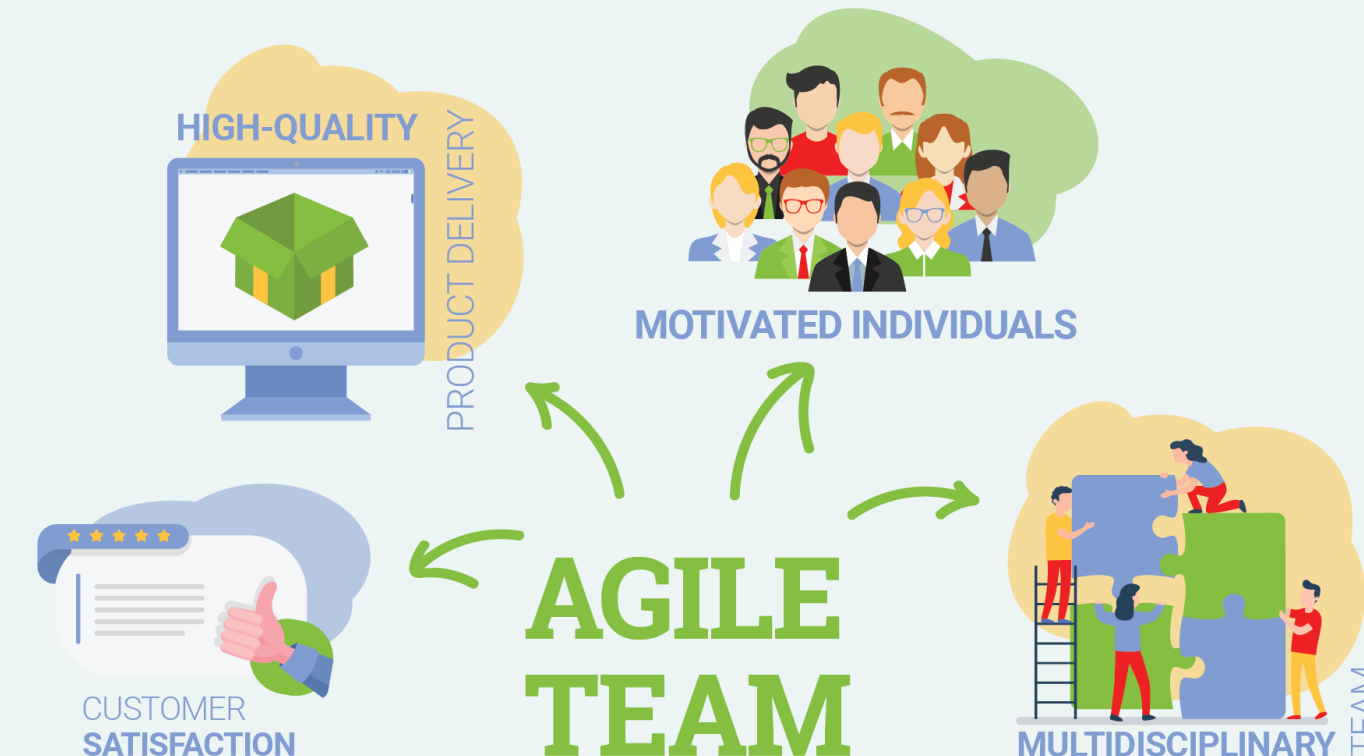
Conclusions

The APA experience blended technical rigor with valuable insight by working under the guidance of the Product Manager

There was a powerful focus on APA's values and the importance of honest communication, a common fear that fostered growth with communication. The internship promoted team togetherness and the utility of program analysis.

Results/Achievements

- APA provided teamwork and Agile problem-solving skills, while under the supervision of a Product Manager that provided inspiration and structure
- The internship provided development of strong interpersonal skills as a crucial aspect



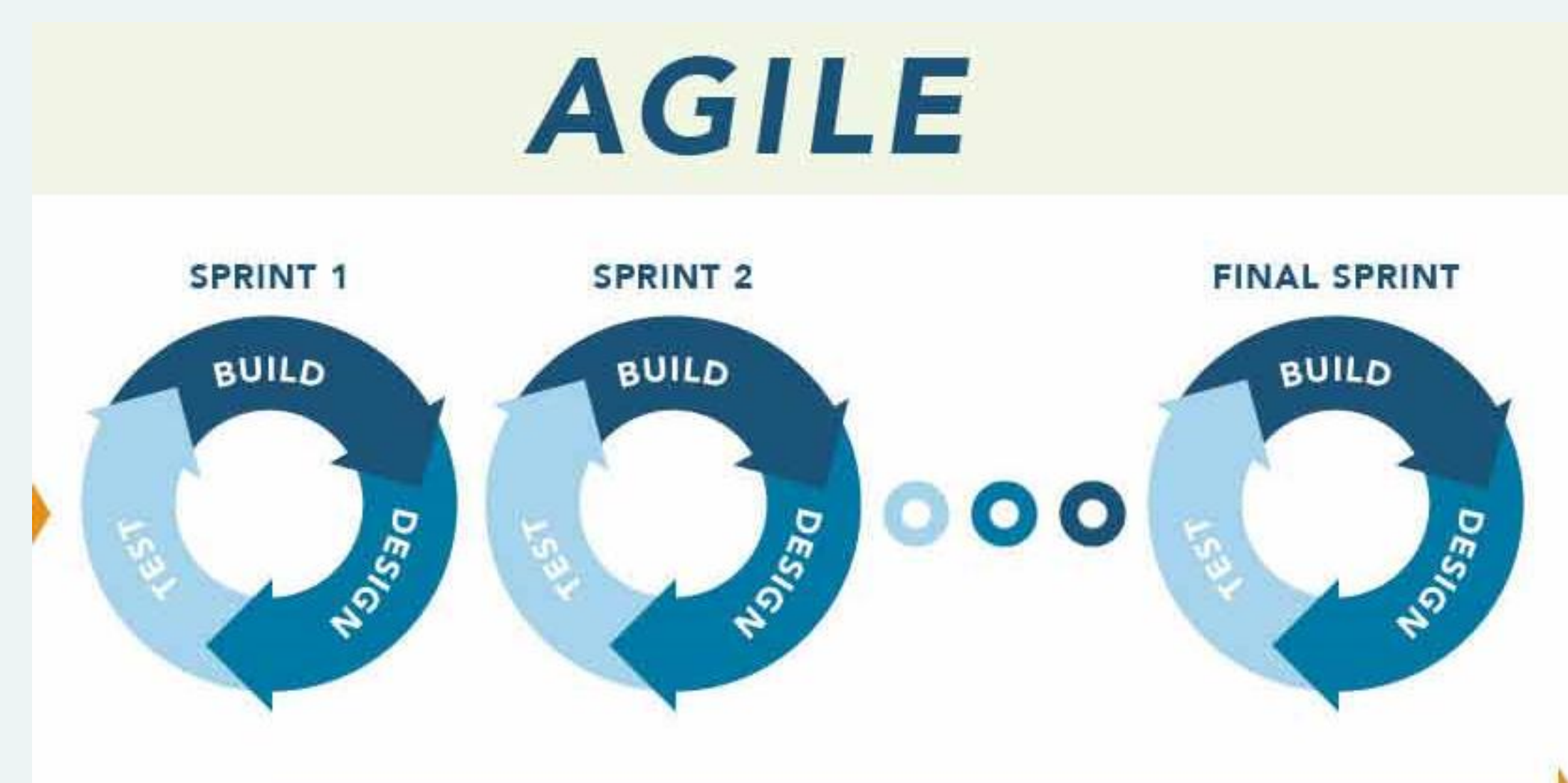
- The Product Manager's practical advice on addressing complex software development problems allowed for interns to understand their roles.
 - The realization bolstered confidence in addressing challenges, finding hidden problems, thereby enhancing the entire dynamic.
- The internship provided development of strong interpersonal skills as a crucial aspect
- Effectively communicating allowed for a better workflow and led the formation of meaningful connections with colleagues.
- Establishing connections through the APA internship provided analytical and technical skills and fostered greater interpersonal abilities.
- Experience highlighted the importance of a positive team culture and persisting through challenges in software development

Introduction

Iman Safari is interning at Agile Project Advisors - a company focusing on developing software solutions for individual and professional development, effectively emphasizing usability and accessibility through several applications.

Abstract

Agile Project Advisors provides an unpaid internship opportunity that allows students qualified individuals in the field of software development to work under the company remotely. At APA, interns are assigned work relevant to various programs, divided by skill and preference. Such applications include an accountability partner tool, a capabilities test, a personal values program, a habit creator, and an improvement feedback mechanism. The role of the developer is to apply their experience and intuitive knowledge to document and make progress on the task, effectively bringing theoretical concepts to real-world application.



Discussion

Reflecting on the experience, it is obvious that by focusing on core Agile principles, team-collaboration, and problem-solving that this was a valuable exposure to facilitating learning and growth.

The focus-driven environment provided meaningful insight into personal guidance, finding solutions, and education.

Lean

Predicable and repeatable environment

Excellence: challenge the perfection

Agile

Unclear and emerging expectations

Explore and learn: fail fast

