## I'm an Experimenter!

- 1) The activities I chose to complete were <a href="Padlet Padlet">Padlet</a>, <a href="More Than Quizzes">More Than Quizzes</a>, and <a href="Information as a Graphic">Information as a Graphic</a>. I chose to complete these activities because I thought they were the most applicable for what I could create as an educator and as a Digital Learning Specialist. I used Padlet and Quizlet to create resources that would be applicable to the course I am teaching (Goals and Motivation) and I created an infographic that would be a relevant resource for instructors who might be confused at course delivery modes.
- 2) I think one important lesson when experimenting with different technologies is ensuring there is an effective use of the technology and that you're not just using it for the sake of using it. It's also important to not make it too complicated for your users to access/use. All of the resources I built will add value and are free to use. I think the activities I created using Padlet and Quizlet will be great for self-assessment/ getting feedback from peers and I like that they aren't high stakes. While completing the activities will enhance their learning, students don't need to feel pressured to partake if they don't want to. The third important thing I learned is that these technologies are constantly updating and if they don't offer what you need now, they might in the future. As mentioned in one of the activities, I've used Canva in the past and I don't remember having all of the template options or photos to choose from. It was fun to explore the new templates that are available and to gain more ideas on how I could use it in the future.
- 3) I used my Android smartphone to complete the Information as a Graphic activity using the Canva app. It was convenient to use the app to create this infographic but it might have been easier to complete it on the computer since the screen is bigger. The other challenge was that I couldn't save it as a PDF so I had to log in on my computer to save it as a PDF to submit for the activity. Overall it was really easy to use though and I like that I could work on it from anywhere. If I was to use Canva for an assignment I would allow students to submit in photo format.
- 4) Link to video.