After brainstorming and considering researching many different options of fields that I hold interest in and may consider as a possible major, I have actually decided that studying the technology in the subculture of my “gamer” friends on my dorm floor would be very interesting to me. It will be a fairly simple task to find the group of guys playing video games an hour or two a week, considering every other time I walk over to their rooms they are playing. I have also discussed this with them. We discussed if the timing lacks during midterms and such, and they ensured me there is always a steady pace of gaming going on. We have estimated they play about 2 hours daily during the week and probably double that on weekends. They usually play in the late afternoon and then any time on the weekends.

This gaming is definitely a subculture to me considering I haven’t ever played video games too much. It’s amazing to me how involved and even obsessed the guys can become with the games. I’m concentrating on a group of 3 to 4 guys who live on the 4th floor of a dorm on campus. My concept of video games is boys yelling “Yeah! I got it! Run baby!” intensely concentrated on the screen and moving their fingers a million miles a minute, but in the few instances I’ve encountered the gaming I have found out it is much more. Most people have a preconception about gamers being nerds and for young boys, but I actually know this isn’t true. My 22 year old brother still plays video games with his friends, and most of the “cool” or “athletic” or “stud” guys can be found in a group playing video games at one point or another. The group of guys I will be studying playing these games are cool guys, and I think I will truly enjoy doing the research because I can know before hand that it will be not only interesting and informative, but also entertaining, and it’s always best for me to enjoy what I’m doing.