Project: Cultural Insights & ESG Initiative

Supporting War Survivors through Cultural Awareness and Global Strategy

What You Need to Do

Your group will:

- Research cultural differences using Hofstede's model.
- Create an ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) initiative to support war survivors.
- Design a professional infographic to present your strategy.
- Submit:
- Cultural Insights Document
- Strategic ESG Plan
- Infographic (as JPG file) (submit to the designated dropbox)

Why This Matters

By completing this project, you'll:

- Understand how culture affects communication, leadership, and teamwork.
- Learn how to create global strategies that are sensitive and effective.
- Practice teamwork, research, presentation, and design skills.
- Explore how businesses can support real-world social challenges.

Part 1: Cultural Research & Insights Document

Goal

Learn how cultural values shape the needs of war survivors and design better support.

Steps

- 1. Review website: https://resilientfuture.life/.
- 2. Research Your Assigned Region

Each group will focus on one region (select one area of focus):

- o Gaza
- Ukraine

- Lebanon
- U.S. Veterans and Families

Use **Hofstede's 6 Cultural Dimensions** to explore:

- o **Power Distance**: Who has authority and how is it viewed?
- Individualism vs. Collectivism: Is the culture more focused on the group or the individual?
- Masculinity vs. Femininity: Is the focus more on achievement or care and relationships?
- Uncertainty Avoidance: How do people handle risk and change?
- Long-Term vs. Short-Term Orientation: Are people focused on the future or present?

3. Group Discussion

- Share your research and talk about the challenges war survivors face in your region.
- Discuss how cultural values impact their needs, support systems, and daily life.
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Fill in the Cultural Insights & Strategic Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG) Plan Document: your document should include

- o Three key insights from Hofstede's framework.
- A short summary of important cultural considerations.
- A first idea for how your company could support survivors based on what you learned.

Part 2 Strategic ESG Plan + Infographic

Goal

Create a culturally sensitive ESG initiative to support survivors and share it visually.

Steps

1. Define Your ESG Initiative

Use what you learned in Part 1 to build a support plan. Include:

- o Goal: What are you trying to do?
- o Actions: 2–3 specific things your company will do.
- Cultural Considerations: How do the cultural insights shape your plan?
- o **Implementation**: Who will be involved? What resources are needed?
- Expected Impact: How will this help survivors in a real way?

2. Design Your Infographic

Create a **1-page visual** (use <u>CanvaLinks to an external site.</u> or another tool). Include:

- o The goal of your initiative
- Key actions and expected results
- Short cultural summary
- Clear, colorful visuals

3. Prepare to Share

- Present your infographic and ESG plan in class.
- Be ready to explain how culture shaped your ideas.
- Some infographics may be featured on the ResilientFuture.Life website!

Deliverables

- Strategic ESG Plan Document (Week 4–5)
- Infographic JPG File (Week 5)
- Class Presentation (presentation is not a formal one it is just presenting your infographic to the class) (Week 5)

Grading (90 Points)

- 25 pts: Cultural sensitivity and clarity of strategy
- 30 pts: Strategic ESG Plan Detailed, practical plan, infographic represented
- 25 pts: Visual design of infographic

• 10 pts: Presentation and group participation

Submission Checklist

- Cultural Insights & Strategic ESG Plan doc (.docx) this drop box
- Infographic (.jpg file) in the other Dropbox
- Submit all to the correct Dropbox folders by the due date

Helpful Resources:

- Hofstede Insights Tool: https://www.hofstede-insights.com/Links to an external site.
- Infographic Tool: https://www.canva.com/Links to an external site.
- Hofstede Insight Tool: https://www.theculturefactor.com/Links to an external site.
- Citation help: Citation Machine®: Format & Generate APA, MLA, & ChicagoLinks to an external site.

Tips for Success:

- Communicate openly with your group members.
- Be respectful of cultural differences during discussions.
- Use your creativity to make your infographic engaging.
- Ask your instructor for help if you get stuck.

Good luck, and have fun exploring global cultures and building meaningful solutions!