Becoming Globally Competent

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Ask Questions

- Before and after arrival
- See value of all interactions
- Don't judge
- Be like a sponge
recognize the geopolitical and economic interdependence of our world.
It's all about relationships
demonstrate a capacity to work in diverse teams
Be open to new ideas
Don't make judgments based on your reality.

The world in which you were born is just one model of reality.
Other cultures are not failed attempts at being you; they are unique manifestations of the human spirit.

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recognize the impact of other cultures on your life and vice versa.
Understand the non-universality of culture, religion, and values.
Recognize and celebrate cultural diversity
Demonstrate the responsibility of global citizenship
Geographic Proficiency

- Know locations of the world’s nations
- Understand how the geographic factors affect society
Crave Adventure

Be willing to try new things....
Especially foods offered by a host
demonstrate appreciation of all people, regardless of race, gender, age, lifestyle, and class.
Accept there is more than one way to handle a problem.
demonstrate the equality of peoples of different nations.
Language skills

- Always learn greeting and pleasantries in the country you are in
- Interpersonal skills in listening, coaching
- Sensitivity
- Understand non-verbal styles of communication
Develop within yourself

- Flexibility
- Emotional adaptability and stability
- Ability to deal with conflict, ambiguity
- Comfort with complexity and uncertainty
Thomas Donaldson’s Three Principles:

- Respect for core human values (human rights), which determine the absolute moral threshold for all business activities.
- Respect for local tradition.
- The belief that context matters when deciding what is right and what is wrong.

Do the “right” thing
Stay in control of yourself

Remain humble
Certification is important around the world.