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Charter for 'Health As A Bridge To Peace' (HBP) Student Clubs In Conjunction with CISEPO (Canada International Scientific Exchange Program)

Vision

Global leaders for building mutual understanding, respect and international cooperation among diverse student communities

Mission

To organize innovative programs for university/college students that: a) address local and international community health issues, and b) provide a forum for building cultural competence and conflict resolution knowledge and skills

Core Values (adapted from Faculty of Health)

- Respect & Diversity
- Excellence & Integrity
- Innovation & Creativity
- Collaboration & Responsive Partnership
- Leadership & Action

Guiding Principles for CISEPO Clubs

- a) adhere to the overall vision, mission and core values
- b) self-organizing within local university/college governance
- c) ongoing succession planning for club leadership and membership
- d) work together (locally – globally) to achieve specific program aims
- e) work with CISEPO and local university/college on financial sustainability
- f) support international exchanges both ways: students going out and coming in
- g) promote hybrid exchanges: e.g. bringing Arab and Israeli students together for a joint program

Programs

- Campus-based initiatives: e.g. workshops, seminar series
- Community action projects
- International electives and internships: become imbedded in the curriculum of the home university/college and officially approved by the foreign partner
- Research: thesis, major research papers,
- Social: cultural celebration events

Resources Generation: clubs are expected to

- apply to their home university/college for annual funding and space
- apply for special scholarships, travel funds, ...
- undertake fund-raising activities, including working with their home university/college and CISEPO