Developing a Vision Statement

What is a Vision Statement?

- A vision statement should clearly describe what your CEE team wants to accomplish.
- A vision statement articulates, "the idealized values, assumptions, hopes, dreams, and aspirations of a group (p. 76)."¹
- A vision statement should be recognized by all members of the CEE team.

Vision Statement Examples:

Discuss: What do all of these vision statements have in common?

Famous Vision Statements:

- Create a place for people to find happiness and knowledge.
 ~ Disneyland
- Produce a car that everyone can afford.
 ~ Ford
- Help a girl reach her highest potential ~ Girl Scouts
- A world without Alzheimer's ~ Alzheimer's Association





Vision Statement Examples

CEE Vision Statements:

- To deepen appreciation for diversity in Islam.
- To raise awareness about human trafficking.
- To increase tolerance towards immigrants living in America.



What is your vision?

Reflect on your study abroad experience:

- What impacted you?
- What changed you?
- Who changed you?
- What issues were you confronted with?
- How would you like others to think about these issues?
- How would you like to inspire others to action?

Team Discussion:

What does your team want to accomplish?

Using your responses to the questions listed on previous slide, take time to create a vision statement for the team.

References

• ¹ Hartley, M. (2003). "There is no way out because": Revitalization of purpose at three Liberal arts colleges. The Review of Higher Education, 27(1), 75-102.