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# An innovative approach to delivering English Language Study + Global Citizenship

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# Presentation Overview

- ▶ The Program: Global Citizenship & Action
  - ▶ Identifying the challenges & requirements
  - ▶ Developing the Program components
  - ▶ Overcoming the Challenge



# The Challenge

- ▶ Studying English alone is no longer enough.
- ▶ Students want to:
  - ▶ Develop their English language skills
  - ▶ Study at university
  - ▶ See Australia
  - ▶ Experience Australian Culture
  - ▶ Ensure their experiences are transferrable into their futures



# Innovation

- Questioning the balance between meeting the demands of current and future students and maintaining the provision of traditional education
- Being open, being creative, being hypothetical
- Building in flexibility
- Embracing the Innovation Cycle:
  - Definition: defining the new concept
  - Discovery: discovering if the concept provides business value
  - Development: developing a ready solution
  - Delivery: delivering the product/service to customers



# The program: Global Citizenship & Action

- ▶ Learning about Global Citizenship and developing skills to become a global citizen
- ▶ Taking action within the local community and setting action based goals to serve at the national and global levels as well
- ▶ Developing English language skills

# Global Citizenship

- Key areas of study within Global Citizenship:
  - Environmental & Sustainable Development
  - Human Rights & Religious Freedom
  - Poverty Reduction
  - Global Governance & Connectivity
  - Gender Equity & Equality
  - Global Peace & Justice



To me, global citizenship is a platform to advocate for the vulnerable, and forging global solutions to global problems.

- (Solomon Atibuni, Uganda, Media Monitoring Lead Researcher)



# Action

- ▶ Taking action as a member of the community must be handled with care. It is imperative to guarantee the delivery and consideration of:
  - ▶ Quality Service
  - ▶ Meaningful, Practical Application
  - ▶ Intrinsic and Extrinsic Motivation
  - ▶ Cultural immersion
  - ▶ Reflection





# English Language Study

- ▶ International class base
- ▶ Traditional English language study: speaking; listening; reading; writing; grammar for everyday use
- ▶ Multiple levels: Beginner to Advanced
- ▶ Role play
- ▶ Workshops



# Partnerships

- ▶ Developing professional relationships and working with:
  - ▶ Volunteering services organisations (placement)
  - ▶ Benefactors (organisations where volunteering takes place)
  - ▶ Various University Departments and Faculties



# Overcoming the Challenges

## The Challenges

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- ▶ Develop their English language skills
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## The Program

Global Citizenship & Action offers:

- ▶ Studying General English
- ▶ At Bond University
- ▶ Working within the local, multi cultural Gold Coast community
- ▶ Studying with International students, living with Australian families
- ▶ Delivering service within organisations and to the public



# Please Welcome My Colleague

- ▶ Mark Pentland
  - ▶ General English Convener at Bond University



# Let's Talk!

Q&A