

## Personal Development Plan

### PERSONAL MISSION

People who take a larger role in society to positively benefit the welfare of others while pursuing their self-interests, an Adam Smith approach to leadership, are people who seek opportunity and take action. But how do we go about making these positive outcomes? We use non-violence and unimposing views on others through our intentions, plans, and actions. What do we do? We take the time to understand and realize we are always learning, not just about the external world, but ourselves. This is a leader.

Every day, the amount of information in the world, globalization, specialization, money, the value of time, and individualism is increasing more rapidly than ever before. As a result, people start to lose sight of the things that matter most: connecting and taking the time to understand people in hopes to gain a cultural understanding to better themselves and society as a whole. I want to impact people in a way that brings this realization through diversity awareness. Bringing a global understanding of cultures is important because I feel like it is our responsibility to contribute to our community, respect the views of other through learning and open-mindedness, and build relationships with those people outside our comfort zone.

You do not need to travel the world to gain a cultural understanding. As a Multicultural Advocate for the University of Illinois and as an executive board member of AIESEC Illinois, I face issues with cultural awareness more than I used to on a daily basis prior to coming into these two leadership roles.

As a Multicultural Advocate, I work to create diversity programs to help educate my staff and residents on issues that can or do arise and affect our inclusive community