

CULTURALLY COMPETENT CIVIC ENTREPRENEURSHIP

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EXERCISE: WHERE I'M FROM

- Fill out the Identity Map indicating the parts of your identity that are core, given, and chosen.
- On the back of the map, list some challenges in your community (e.g. work, neighborhood, school).
- Think about how the challenges you listed impact you based on your identity (e.g. how might a challenge be particularly relevant to you as a woman or young adult)

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- a. Understanding local realities (past, present and future)
- b. Translating challenges into sustainable opportunities
- c. Recognizing the value of existing assets
- d. Seeking to partner with or more successfully fulfill the role of public sector entities
- e. Approaching solutions with an interdisciplinary and innovative orientation that improves systems and mindsets

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CIVIC

The original use was in *civic garland, crown, etc.*, translating Latin *corona civica*, denoting a garland of oak leaves and acorns given in ancient Rome to a person who **saved a fellow citizen's life**.

of or relating to a citizen, a city, citizenship, or community affairs

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Reborrowing of French entrepreneur "**one who undertakes or manages**," agent noun from Old French *entreprenre* "**undertake**".

a person who organizes and manages any enterprise, especially a business, usually with considerable initiative and risk; an employer of productive labor; contractor.

CIVIC ENTREPRENEURSHIP

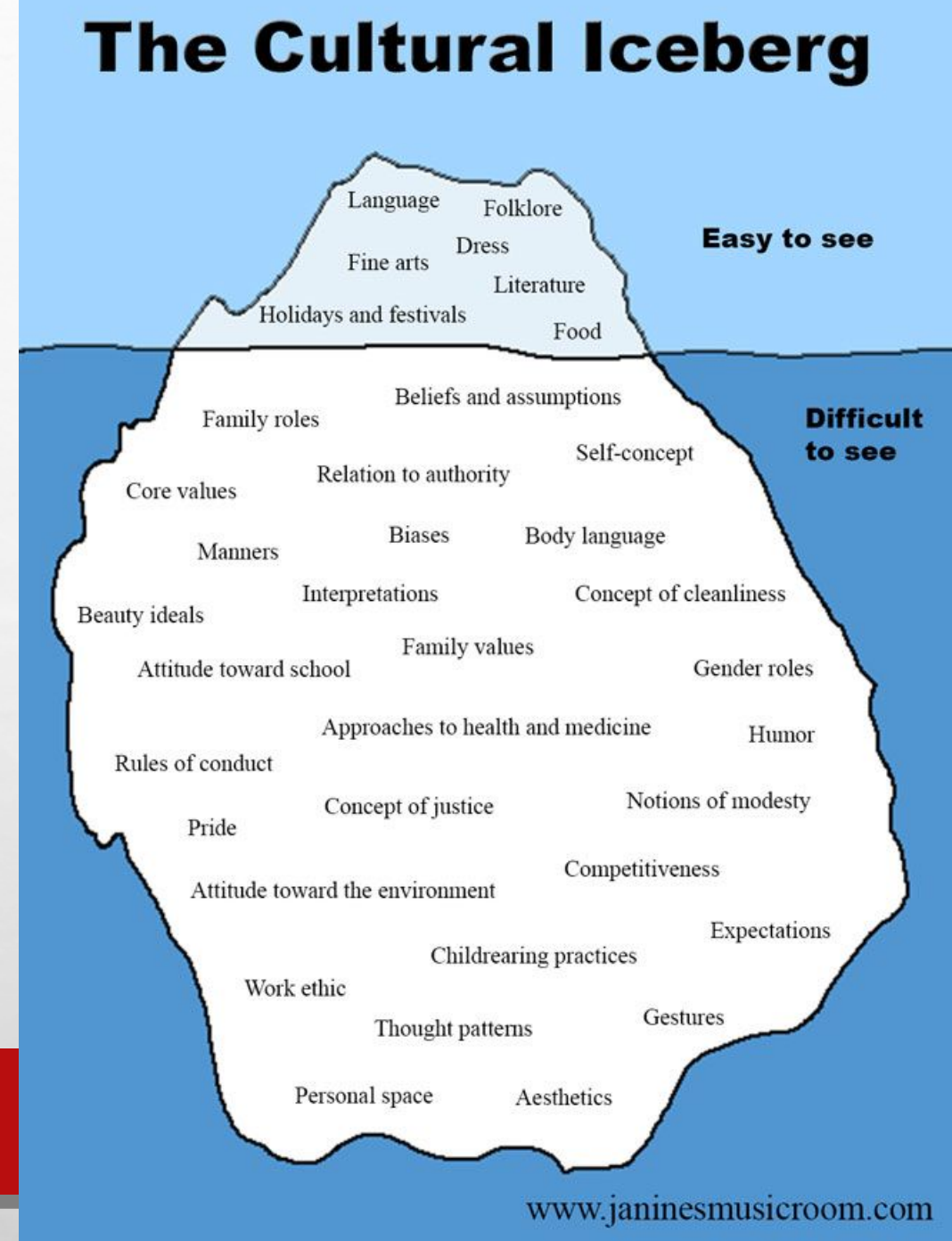
Securing and directing resources in a way that contributes to the immediate and future positive welfare of citizens and where they live.

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Intentionally developing an awareness of cultural identities (both your own and others). Then using that knowledge, institute practices accounting for how various identities dynamically influence the way individuals independently and collectively experience, survive, navigate and negotiate the places where they work, learn, play and live.

In other words, recognizing and honoring how cultural identity shapes people's experiences and outcomes.



EXERCISE 2: WHAT IS CULTURALLY COMPETENT CIVIC ENTREPRENEURSHIP?

IN SMALL GROUPS, ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW AND THEN DEVELOP YOUR OWN DEFINITION OF CULTURALLY COMPETENT CIVIC ENTREPRENEURSHIP

- a. How do you seek to understand someone and their environment as well as realities?
- b. How do you overcome cultural differences?
- c. Why do certain communities consistently get overlooked politically or struggle to receive services from public organizations?
- d. How can entrepreneurship be empowering?