



Developing Critically Thinking Global Citizens: Professional Development Units

Asking Powerful Questions (1-3 hours)

Learn how to use an innovative framework for asking powerful, critical thinking questions and practice applying it hands-on. Gain strategies for developing critical thinking questions collaboratively with your students that your class can pose to a global community.

Competency Focus: Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Inquiry

Facilitating Thoughtful Inter-Cultural Communicators (1-2 hours)

Unpack a framework for facilitating thoughtful inter-cultural communicators. Using anonymous real-life posts from students on WorldVuze, practice providing helpful feedback to guide your students to share more thoughtful answers, comments, and “mindshifts” in an authentic global learning environment of their peers.

Competency Focus: Communication, Citizenship, Critical Thinking

Global Curriculum Connections Through Inquiry (2-4 hours)

Learn strategies to regularly integrate authentic and engaging global learning experiences into your curriculum by leveraging the WorldVuze technology throughout the inquiry process from:

- Formulating questions,
- Gathering and organizing data,
- Analyzing and interpreting patterns in perspectives, and
- Communicating to a diverse global community.

*We can tailor this unit to your group based on grade and subject area or offer a broader, more inter-disciplinary session

Competency Focus: Critical Thinking, Communication, Creativity

Re-Thinking Global Citizenship (1-2 hours)

Explore global citizenship through multiple lenses and reflect on the impact of these different approaches. Uncover the breadth of what a global citizen can look like and develop a model for the kind of global learning experiences you hope to foster in your own classroom.

Competency Focus: Citizenship

Navigating WorldVuze (1 hour)

Become a WorldVuze expert! In this hands-on session we will help you navigate all the regular features of the platform (signing up, creating a class, posting a question, student activity assessment) as well as provide you with valuable tips to enable you and your students to make the most of this innovative and unique tool. For example, accessing student reports, posting video questions, exploring perspectives by using multiple filters and pie charts, creating engaging class profiles and how to take action on real-world issues.

Competency Focus: Information Technology

Investigating Powerful Teacher and Student WorldVuze Case Studies

(1-2 hours)

Investigate first-hand teacher and student case studies to discover how teachers and students around the world are creating powerful global learning experiences using WorldVuze that foster critical, collaborative, and creative thinking. Learn how:

- Students are empowered to drive their own inquiries to deepen their understanding of real-world issues
- Individual students and classrooms can take action and make a meaningful impact by initiating or participating in WorldVuze challenges
- Educators are using WorldVuze to engage all students in their curriculum

Competency Focus: Critical Thinking, Communication, Creativity, Collaboration, Citizenship