



The Implementation and Learning Effects of Group Dynamic in Intensive Service-Learning Program Based on Taiwan International Volunteer

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Introduction 1

volunteer services become culture and international development



**1970 IAVE (International Association of Volunteer Effort)
1997 Taiwan involve IAVE
2001 International Year of Volunteers
Taiwan became the first country to pass
“Voluntary Service Act “**

past three years in Taiwan(2006-2008)

982 students 51 universities

78 international volunteer service groups

serviced in India, Malawi, Thailand, Solomon and other

serviced in 34 countries.



Introduction 2

Higher education becomes internationalization and globalization.

International Service-Learning has emerged as a response to the desire for more economical weak trend international locations and more hands-on experience.



Introduction 3

From Campus Compact report that international Service-Learning has been increases from 26% in 1990 to 34% in 2000.

In Taiwan higher education serviced to the international community about 5 years which found there were at least in 43 countries involved.



The purpose of this study

Explore the group dynamic in intensive Service-Learning program development and learning process of college students.



The questions of this study

To what specific group dynamic reflex program occur as a consequence of participation in international

What extent does international Service-Learning process of the college students ?



Subjects

Purposive sampling

10 finish international Service-Learning students from two Taiwan universities.



Method : Qualitative research

Using participant observation, focus group interview and content analysis

For establishment of the trustworthiness developing trust relationship with participants, triangulation, peer reviewing, member check, and thick description.



Result & Discussion : Participants

Four males and six females

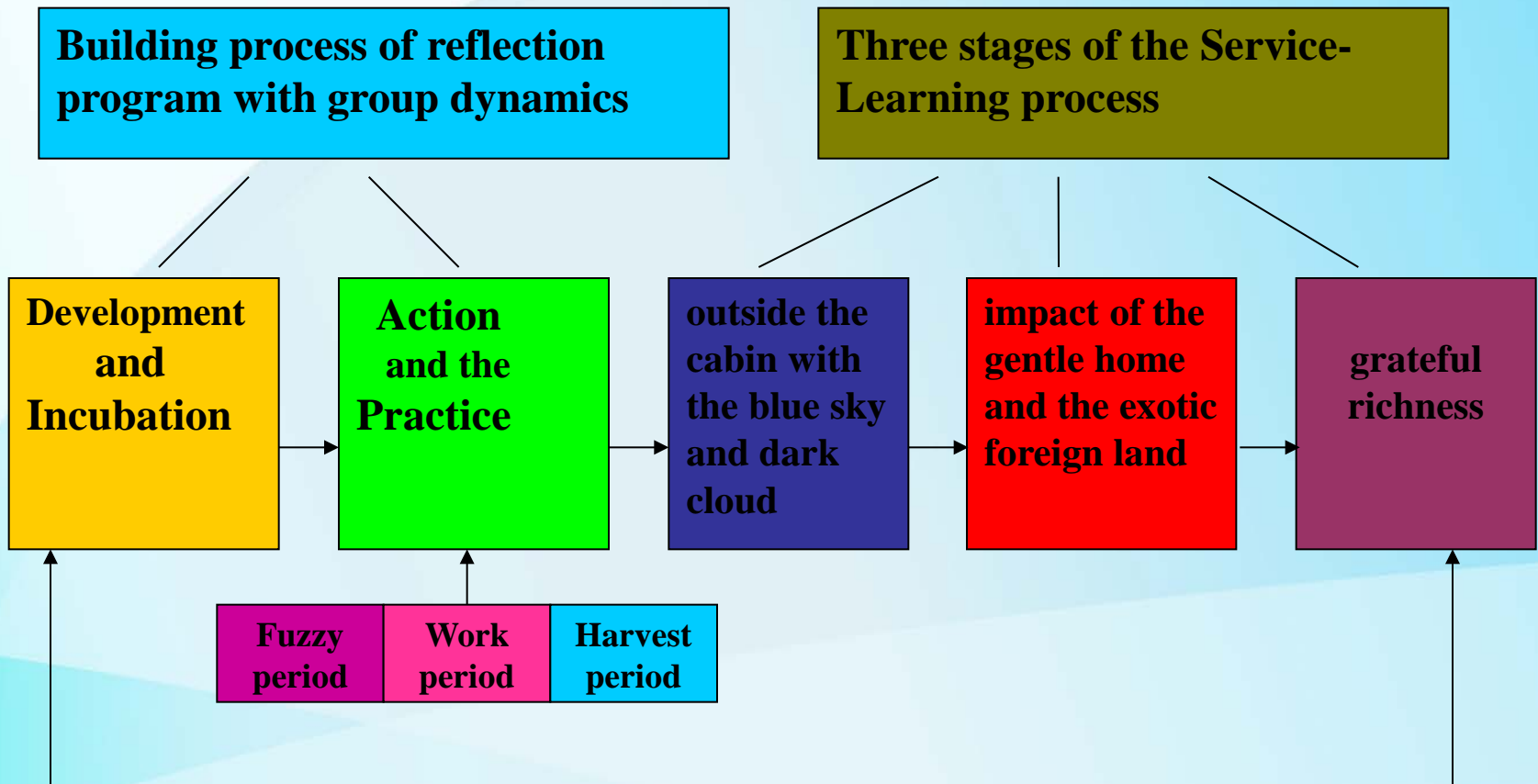
The average years of serving for their volunteering serves are two and a half years

Five students have never been abroad before



Result & Discussion :

Building process of reflection program with group dynamics

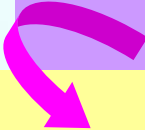




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Development and incubation : reflection program with group dynamics.



This session explains the scenes where and how the project were implemented. It includes educational belief and project framework for the research team, theoretical model for the project design, ideas of reflection with group dynamics, field explore, and group meetings.

In the process of reflection, the focuses are on brainstorming ideas of reflective projects and theoretical models.



Result & Discussion :

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- **Action research team found that scholar Chang-Chu Ho (1997) had defined group dynamics as a continuing influence power after the beginning operation of group**
- **In our study, the reflection could be both structured and unstructured, But it should be continuous and context as scholar Hsing-Yuan Liu etc. (2008) has stated**

Yong-Jing Liao also mentioned that guides should provide some dynamic or static activities in the beginning of using group dynamics to promote the interaction and learning between members



Result & Discussion2:

Building process of reflection program with group dynamics

This conforms the description of reflection model of Eylar's reflection map during SL (2001), which stated that the reflection should be carried out during the whole period of processing Service-Learning.

In this study, 10 students organized themselves into a small group to perform intensive service learning program of the 15-days journey. They had a common goal, and lived together as the marathon group, which may have great strength.

This stage explains mainly about that how the action research team to find out the proper position of reflection program with group dynamics in intensive service learning.



Result & Discussion :

Building process of reflection program with group dynamics

Action and the practice



The researcher attempts to the group dynamic

Integrate in the S-L

The field research discovery, the group dynamic

**Integrate to the SL may divide into the fuzzy ,
work and harvest stages**



Building process of reflection program with group dynamics

Fuzzy period

- (a) This stage before the study abroad preparatory stage, the participants are unable go abroad for further prepare before this journey.**
- (B) The researcher leads the group members together , because the participants come from different college ,therefore this stage leads to introduction and set up trust relationship.**



Result & Discussion : Building process of reflection program with group dynamics



Work period

- (a) This stage explains the participants to tread the entrance to a country, enters in the imagination the service world, even if before the experience that the knowledge can train and the clique shares, each other looks like the family member same to be harmonious, to be intimate**
- (b) This stage leads to guide the student from the actual service experience to reconsider, starts to carry on-depth self-reflection.**



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Harvest period

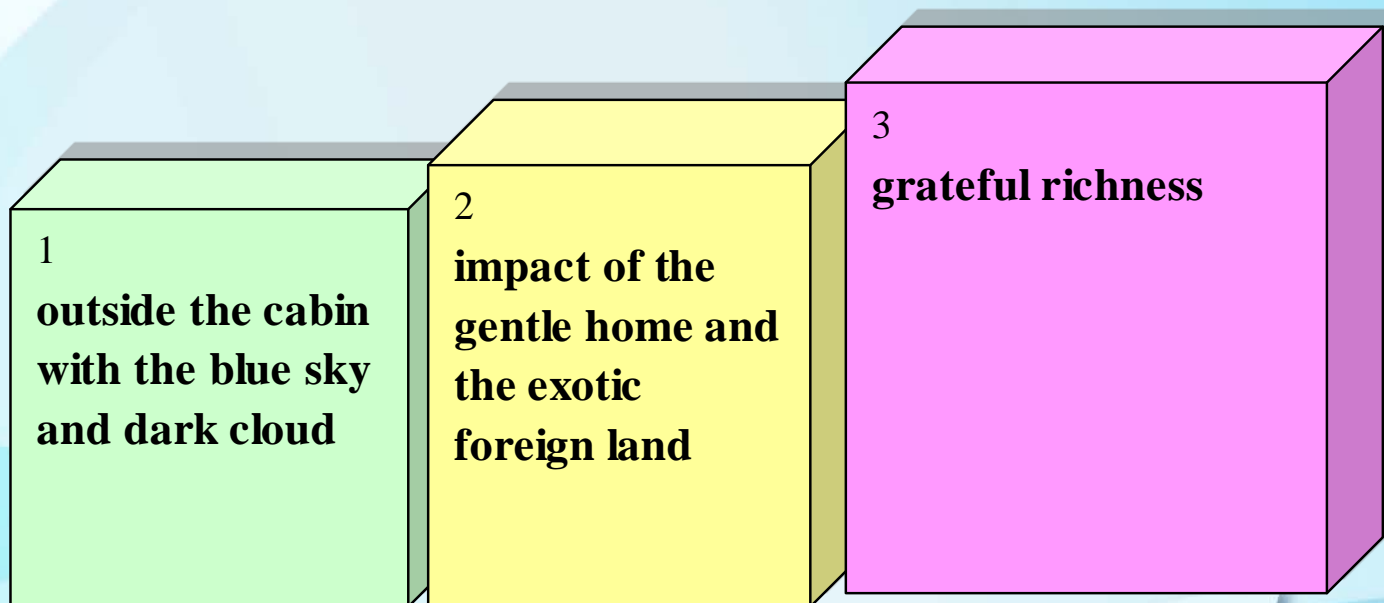
This stage for association's last act, leads because in Nepal and India and the target client, experiences “the praise which together loves” outside, but also after including returning to homeland in school celebration.



Result & Discussion 3 : Three stages for the Service-Learning progress



The study found that participation in ISL **learning process** can be divided into three stages :





Conclusion

After international Service-Learning :



**Group dynamic integrate in the international S-L
not only provide group reflection but also enhancing
college students learning**



Recommendation

The proposed combination of school-related community resources to promote Service-Learning abroad

Screening service experience with domestic students, participation in overseas Service-Learning



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