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Experiences that Propel Your Career Webinar Series

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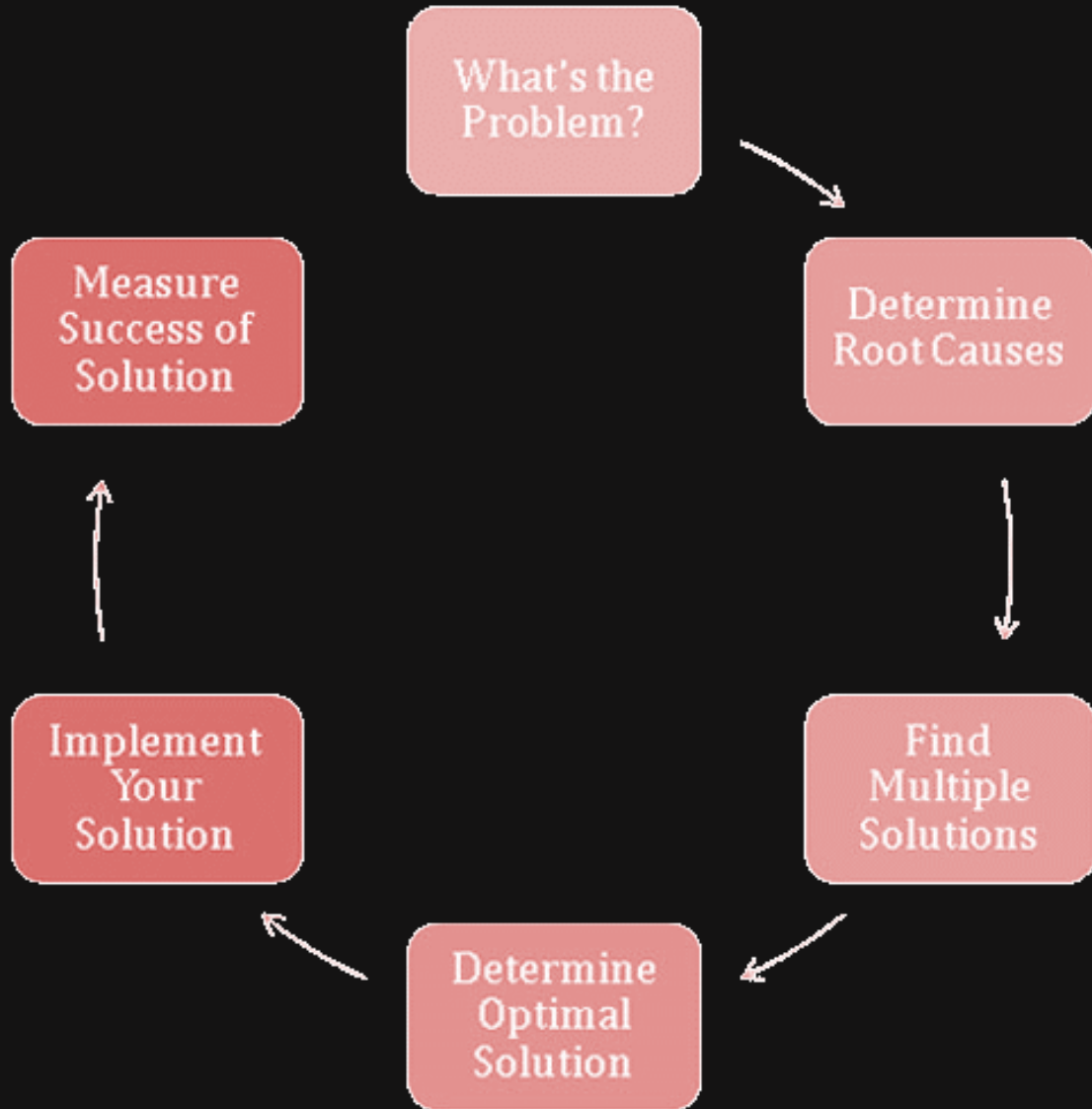
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Problem solving approach to gain experience



Overview of Session 3

- Benefits of Volunteering
- What is skills-based volunteering?
- Find a project in your area
- Setup a project
- Translate your experiences
- Corporate view on volunteering



Volunteering helps you:

- Build confidence in your skills
- Demonstrate leadership and grit
- Learn new skills
- Enhance existing skills
- Explore your career options
- Build your network of professional connections





Skills-Based Volunteering

Offering your services, knowledge, and/or abilities freely to help an organization or individual(s)

Two Options

Search for an existing opportunity

Propose a new project to a local organization



Components needed to ensure your skills-based volunteering counts as relevant experience



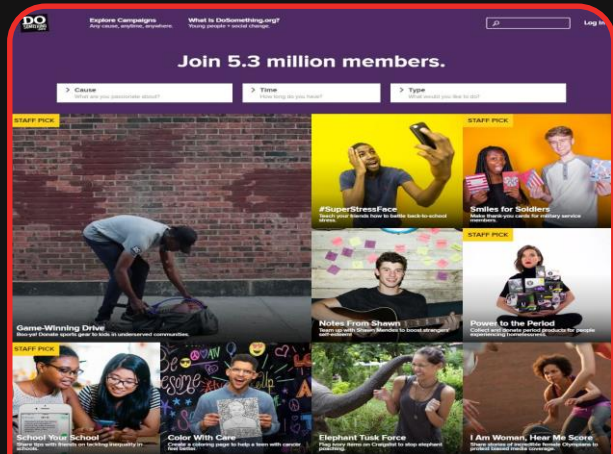
Find an Existing Project



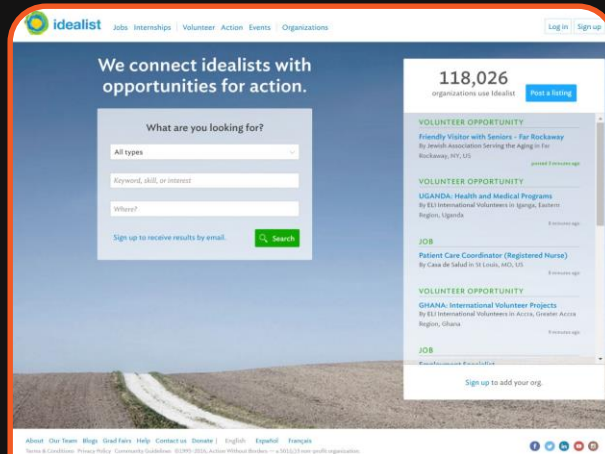
- Online search
- Religious institutions
- Schools/Colleges
- Non-profit organizations
- City/County
- ???



Global Volunteer Sites to Explore



DoSomething.org



Idealist.org



UNV.org



Setup Your Volunteer Project



1. Identify your purpose and needs
2. Identify type of project to create
3. Research options
4. Plan your project
5. Implement your project
6. Document your project



Project Plan Components

1. Scope of project
2. Deliverables
3. Timeline
4. Budget
5. Review plan
6. Submit plan





Be able to explain how you have experience applying your skills:

- technical
- non-technical



What Have You Learned?





If you walked into an office and saw this, how might it connect to volunteer experiences you may have had?



What about this?





What About this?



Why I Think Volunteering is Important Now

- You practice your skills
- You can get new skills
- You develop your network
- If the organization is hiring, they know you
- You feel good doing something good
- You can be a global problem solver



Hiring Managers and HR Executives Value Volunteerism

20%

have hired someone because of their volunteer experience

42%

consider volunteer work equal to full-time work experience

76%

say skilled volunteering makes a candidate more desirable

81%

say skilled volunteering makes a recent college grad more desirable



Why Volunteering is Important When You Have a job

- You can meet people, build your network
- You can develop new skills
- Exposure
- You are seen as a person who gets things done
- It can lead to your next job



Whether Now or Later

- Hiring Managers need something to set you apart from others being able to connect on a volunteer activity is one way to do it.
- Building your network is essential to building your career
- Know the company you are working for, what is their focus for social responsibility: Healthcare, Education, etc. Volunteering in that space may help

- Good Luck!



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Q&A



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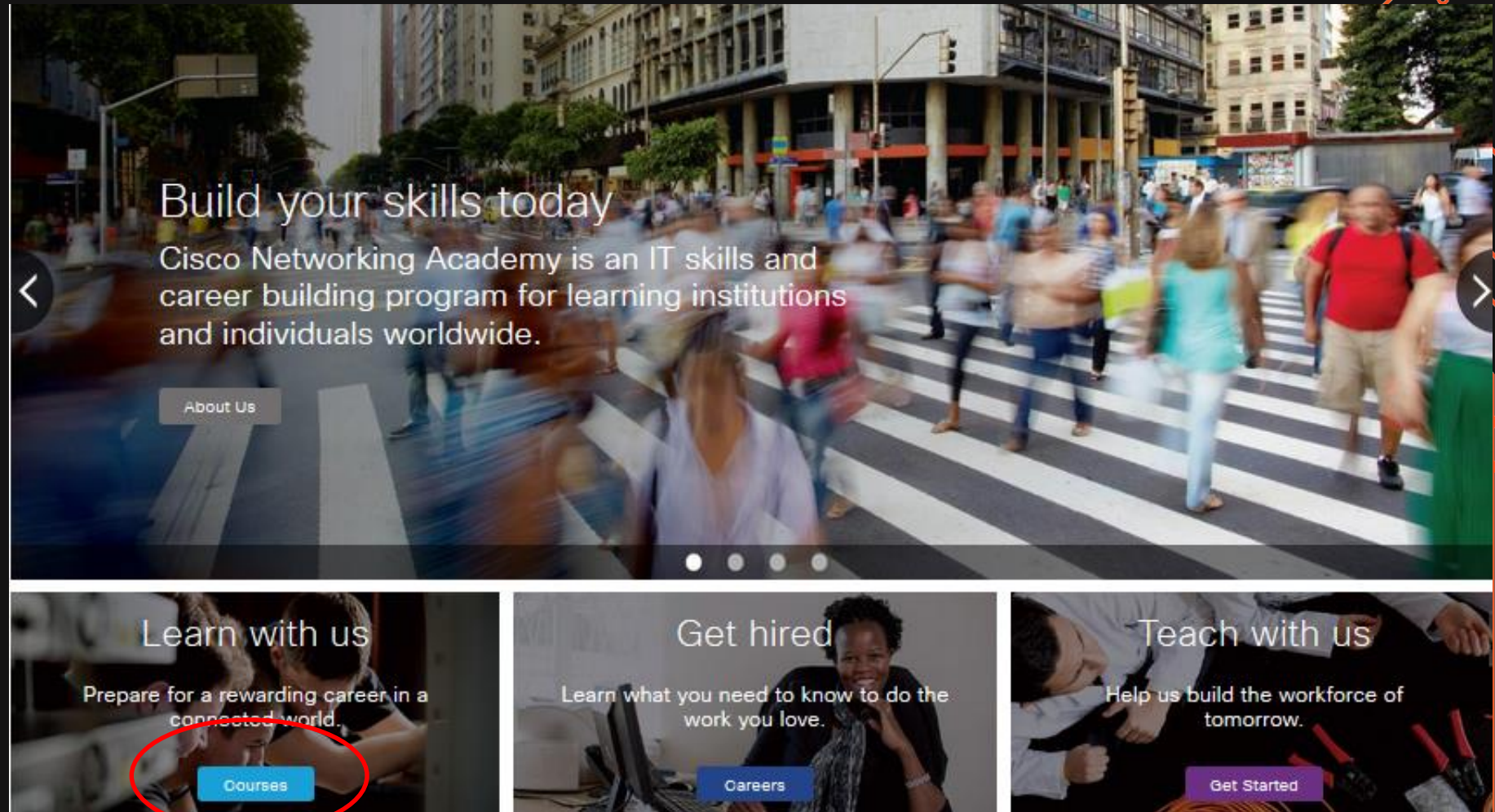
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