

INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION

Core Competency

- 7.5** IEPs have an ability to empathize with, not just understand intellectually, how the locals see the world.

Behavioural Indicators

7.5 Interculturally Effective Persons can:

- accurately describe local people's rationales for doing and proposing things (not necessarily agreeing with them, just understanding and respecting their views)
- articulate how expatriates in general, as well as those from one's own country, are perceived by locals
- experiment with, but do not necessarily permanently adopt, local mannerisms and means of communication
- theoretically and sympathetically "try on" the local worldview so that they can appreciate its logic although not necessarily agreeing with it (e.g. can entertain thoughts such as "if I were in this person's shoes, I would think or do this")

