

EXPERIENCE OF A DIPLOMAT

Diploma in Public Administration (DPA)

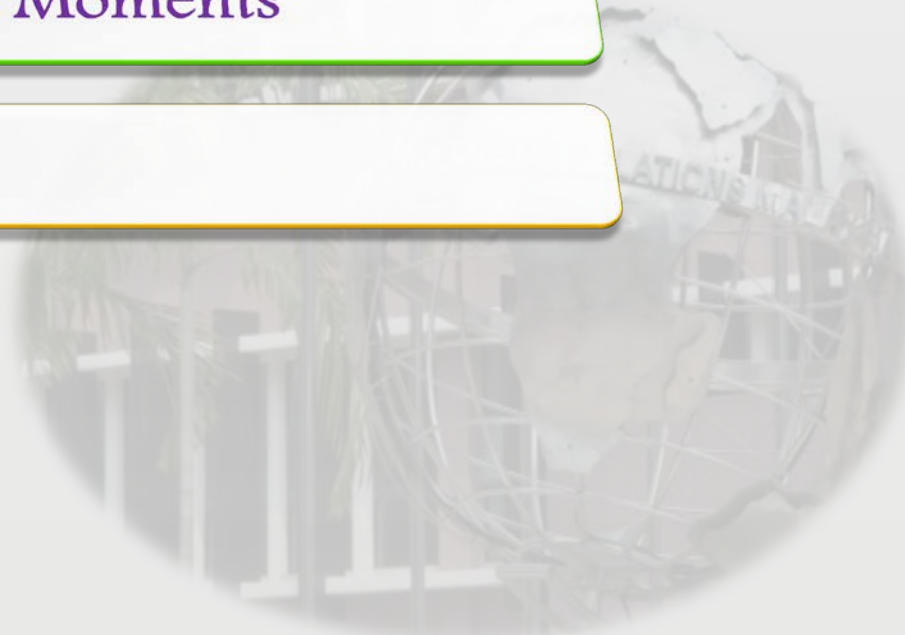


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What is Diplomacy ?

The management of international relations by negotiation; the method by which these relations are adjusted and managed by ambassadors and envoys; the business or art of the diplomatist.

*(Oxford
English
Dictionary)*

The application of intelligence and tact to the conduct of official relations between the governments of independent states.

*(Sir Ernest
Satow)*

A continuing process. The skill lies in obtaining what your country wants, whether it is a treaty, an exchange of students, or a trade agreement, while still leaving the other country satisfied.

*(Harold
Nicolson)*

Diplomacy is

- * To charm
- * To persuade, dissuade
- * To prevent war
- * To negotiate
- * To soften negative impact
- * Be correct, precise, truthful, firm



Quotable quotes

In matters of language, the art of the diplomatist is that of expressing hostility with courtesy, in difference with interest, and friendship with prudence.

(André Maurois)

A diplomat is a person who can tell you to go to hell in such a way that you actually look forward to the trip.

(Caskie Stinnett)

Diplomats are blessed with Hope, Soldiers with courage and Politicians with promises

(Anonymous)

What is a Diplomat ?

1. Career

- External sector
- Full-time

2. Non-career

- From various sectors
- Political appointees
- Professionals

3. Diplomatist



Role of the Diplomats ?

1. To represent King and country
2. Promote and protect national interest
3. Develop, maintain and strengthen bilateral relations
4. Assist and protect Malaysians
5. Communicate and advance Malaysia's position.



My Diplomatic Journey

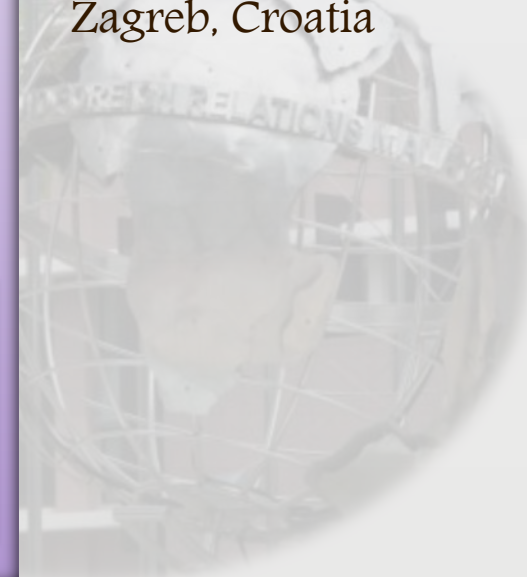
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Memorable Moments

1. Professional

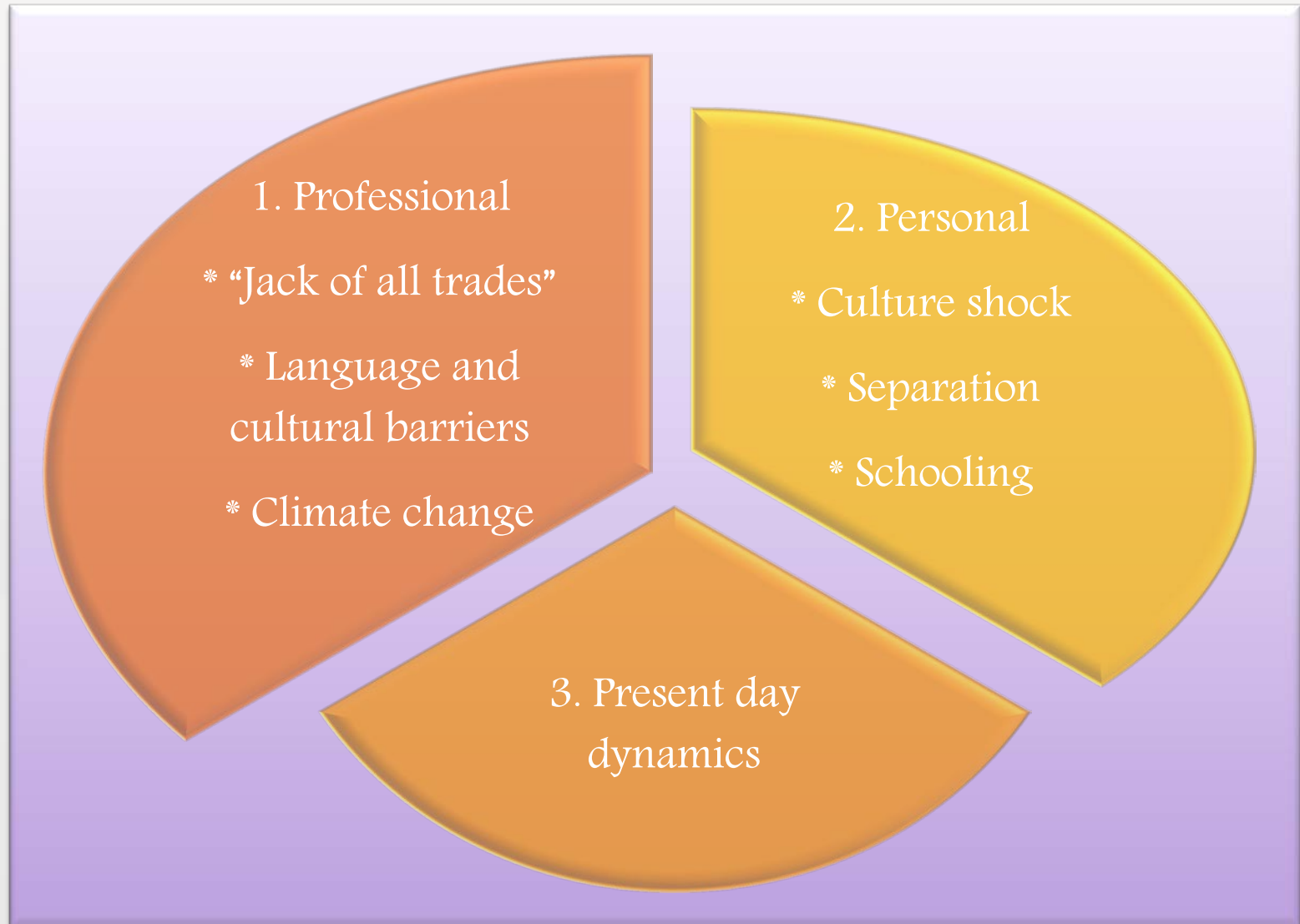
- Stature – pomp and ceremony
- Experience
- Lifestyle and perks

2. Personal

- Travels and Culture
- Schooling
- Friendship



Challenges



Web site for reference

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