CPS & TL Reflection Prompts
(Max 400 word answers)

The goal of this reflection is to get you thinking about your experiences as a CPS or as AR*AC leader, and how these experiences relate to the Civic Minded Graduate model. Even more, this exercise should give you an opportunity to stop and reflect on the interviews you conducted and the social issues you encounter as a CPS or TL. Do not be afraid to share your personal views, feelings or ideals. Your reflection should be personal.

We have created questions related to 6 specific areas, please keep in mind that you are not required to answer every single question, but rather use these questions as reflection prompts. Your reflection will be the starting point for the script that you will use to create your digital story. Please keep in mind both the fall and spring interviews you conducted as well as your overall experience in your program.

As you go through these questions keep a record of the mental images that come to your mind. These “mental images” can serve as references as you collect pictures for your digital stories.

CMG component: Active participant in society to address social issues

1. In your CPS or TL experiences, in what ways did you contribute (time, resources, knowledge) to address the issues that were relevant to your site? How might your intentions to be an active participant in society changed as a result of your experience this year? How has what you learned impacted your intent to be an active participant in society?

2. Think about a time in which you encountered a challenging situation related to diversity issues, then respond to the following statement:
   a. Before participating in this program, diversity/intercultural competence meant this to me:
      ________________________________
      ________________________________
      ________________________________
   b. After this year, my understanding of diversity/intercultural competence means this to me:
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c. My scholarship involved these responsibilities:

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I have seen______________________________________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________.

I had to deal with__________________________________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________.

d. In light of my experiences, I am more (aware of / take into consideration)

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when dealing with issues related to diversity, etc.

CMG Component: Collaboration with others across difference

3. In an interview, if you were asked how your engagement in the CPS or AR*AC program has influenced who you will become and what you will accomplish in your life, what would you say?

How did your experience this year and the interviews you conducted help you to deepen the knowledge about your program, yourself, and the issues that you are passionate about?
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In what ways, either directly or indirectly, are your career goals related to social issues that you feel passionate about it?

CMG Component: Civic Identity

4. I choose to become a CPS or TL scholar because....

I interviewed ______ (fall)__________ and ______ (spring)__________.

In my interviews, I was surprised to learn/learned that my site faces these issues:

How might your intention to be an active participant in society changed as a result of your interviews?

My participation in the CPS of TL program and/or my interviews at my site has taught me ....

a. About my educational goals....

   a. Why did you choose your major?

   b. Have your educational goals changed as a result of your participation/research? How?

b. About my career goals....
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a. What are your career goals?

b. Have your career goals changed as a result of your participation/research? How?

c. About whom I want to be as a member of my community....

a. What do you see as your role in your current or future community?

b. How has your vision of yourself as a citizen changed since your participation/research?

CMG Component: Benefit of education to address social issues

5. What kind of experiences did you get out of this scholarship? What kind of skills did you learn? How did this year allow you to use and/or build on your existing talents/strengths?

How did this experience relate to your educational and career goals?

How did this scholarship fit in with what you have already learned or what you are learning in the classroom this year?
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CMG Component: Understanding how social issues are addressed in society

6. What are some of the root causes of issues facing your site or your students? How are they being addressed at your site? By the community? By the government (city/state/federal)?

What resources (time, resources, knowledge) are available to your site or to your students?

Do you think these resources or intervention are effective or are they perpetuating the problems?

What future actions need to be taken for long term sustainability of your site? For your students? For Indianapolis?