

SUPPORT SPHERE

PROJECT PROPOSAL

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In this era of global connectivity, the journey of immigration is overwhelming and requires a dedicated support system for guidance and encouragement. Support Sphere is one such platform that helps connect the Immigrants with people who are already settled in the destination country to seek advice and moral support. This platform by harnessing the strength of human relations envisions in creating a diverse community which goes beyond the simple information exchange, by sharing insights about the new cultural, individual experiences and the earnest desire of helping one another succeed in this unfamiliar environment.

Theory for Support Sphere:

Our initiative aims at assisting students in their plans to pursue their education from international institutions. Upon signing up on the website and providing details such as the type of visa they plan to apply for, users will be guided through tips, document requirements, and the entire process essential to complete this transition smoothly. Separate logins are available for the F1 and the J1 visa types. Based on the processing stages of the User visa such as the Visa application, Visa Approved, Neophytes and Experts.

If the user is in the Visa Application stage information such as Education details, GRE Scores, IELTS Score, Colleges Applied, I20, DS160, Sevis ID and Visa status are collected. Based on the details provided an expert is connected to guide the user in the further visa processing.

If the user is in the Visa Approved stage details such as the College admitted, Approval letter, I20, Passport number, Visa page, Place of departure and Date of arrival are recorded. The user is given a chance to connect with the experts, who will guide them for a smooth transition and explain regarding the immigration process and will also help with co-passenger details travelling on the same day if available.

Neophytes are the students who have recently arrived in the country and are seeking guidance related to course registrations, accommodation and finding roommates, part time job opportunities, safety measurements and various means of commutes. Information such as personal details, course enrollment, term of studies, date of arrival and the field of concern are collected from them.

Experts are the already established and seasoned professionals who are ready to guide and help the Immigrants during their transformation period, an immigrant who have completed their transformation period through Support sphere are also considered to be experts and are given the privileges to help others if interested. The details such as personal information, contact details,

area of study, designation, years of stay in the country, experience are being collected for the experts. The experts, through their experience, provide guidance to one another regarding the job searches and screening process.

A special SOS feature is provided for the Neophytes and the Experts which acts as the safety feature or panic button, when any of them feel unsafe and would want help they will automatically be connected to one another, and location details can also be shared.