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EXPLORING THE INTERPLAY BETWEEN PHILOSOPHY OF MIND, CULTURE, AND FORMS OF PRACTICE

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Introduction. The philosophy of mind investigates the nature of consciousness, cognition, and subjective experiences. However, these inquiries cannot occur in isolation from the cultural and social context in which human beings exist. This article aims to delve into the intricate relationship between philosophy of mind, culture, and various forms of practice. By examining the factors that shape human experience, we can gain a deeper understanding of how cultural beliefs, societal norms, and different forms of practice influence our perception, cognition, and the very nature of consciousness itself. It argues that philosophy is an essential part of every culture. Philosophy is the means by which every culture provides itself with justification for its values, beliefs and worldview and also serves as a catalyst for progress.

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Introduction. This exploration offers insights into how philosophy of mind is both influenced by and contributes to our understanding of cultural diversity, forms of practice, and the human experience as a whole. The philosophy of mind cannot be divorced from the influences of culture and various forms of practice. By understanding these factors and their interplay, we gain invaluable insights into the diverse nature of human experience. By examining philosophy of mind through a cultural lens and acknowledging the multitude of practices that shape our understanding of consciousness and cognition, we foster a more comprehensive and inclusive approach to the study of the mind. Moving forward, interdisciplinary collaborations and respectful engagement with diverse cultural perspectives will enrich our understanding of the fundamental questions about the nature of the mind, consciousness, and the human experience. By examining philosophy of mind through a cultural lens and acknowledging the multitude of practices that shape our understanding of consciousness and cognition, we foster a more comprehensive and inclusive approach to the study of the mind. Moving forward, interdisciplinary collaborations and respectful engagement with diverse cultural perspectives will enrich our understanding of the fundamental questions about the nature of the mind, consciousness, and the human experience.

Materials and methods. Philosophy forms the worldview of people, as it largely determines their behavior and approaches to decision-making in particular problem. Philosophy plays a significant role in solving global problems. Its main function is to form a world view, also have an indirect influence on the development of practical solutions. It also helps us to synthesize a variety of views or perspectives into one unified whole. The concept of culture, most thoroughly explored by anthropologists, is used to define the knowledge, beliefs, attitudes, morals and customs that people acquire through membership of a particular society or group [1]. The concept of ‘culture’ is both controversial and subject to many definitions; however, for the present purposes it will be understood as the values, thought, emotions, and practices that are learned, mediated by symbolic systems, and shared by social units of varying sizes.

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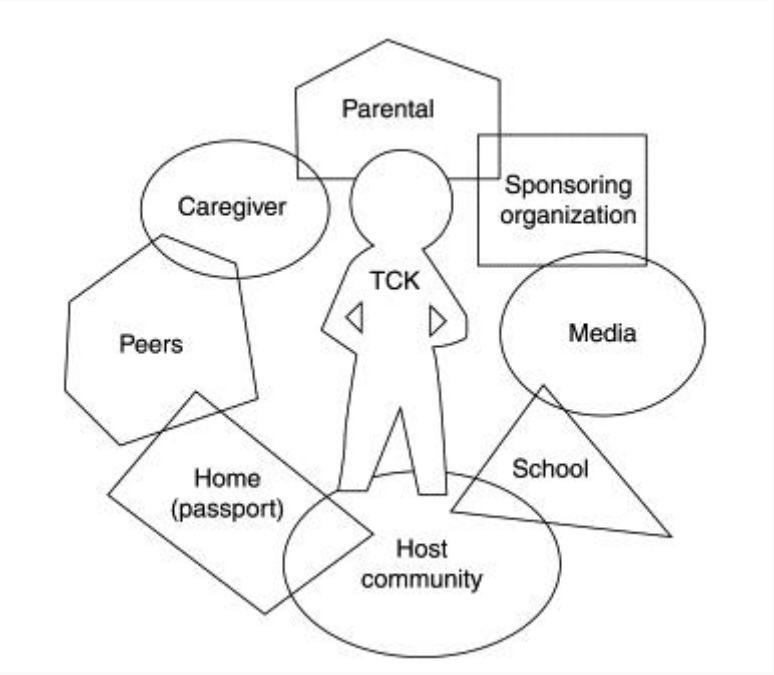


Figure 1. The markedly different cultural communities

It helps us, on the one hand, to distinguish fine and subtle differences between views and, on the other hand, to discover common ground between opposing positions. Culture is not only shared but distributed across a population, so that some members of a social unit are experts in some areas of the culture, and it is contestable, so that some members usually disagree with the dominant world view and values within a culture. Generally, culture is analyzed in the plural, that is, in the sense of the diverse cultures of societies, organizations, and other social units. Likewise, culture is increasingly analyzed as an adjective "cultural practices" within theoretical frameworks that focus on the ways in which culture is historically produced through social action [2]. The concept of 'culture-bound syndromes' has been the focus of an ongoing debate in the field of transcultural or comparative cultural psychiatry between psychiatric universalists who interpret these conditions as cultural elaborations of universal neuropsychological or psychopathological phenomena, and cultural relativists who see them as generated and expressive of distinctive features of a particular culture. Adjustment is considered relatively easy during the initial contact with a new culture, as many things are new and exciting. Adjustment becomes more difficult as people become frustrated with the new culture [3]. Following this period of frustration, people become accustomed to the host culture, and adjustment again becomes positive. Recent research has continued to expand on the U-curve theory and examines how time can interact with other factors. Assessing expatriate adaptation during the early phases of international assignments. The concept of 'culture-bound syndromes' has been the focus of an ongoing debate in the field of transcultural or comparative cultural psychiatry between psychiatric universalists who interpret these conditions as cultural elaborations of universal neuropsychological or psychopathological phenomena, and cultural relativists who see them as generated and expressive of distinctive features of a particular culture. The basic collections were, therefore, of sculptural art and material culture, which were relatively accessible even to amateur collectors, and which were assembled during the competitive rush for acquisitions by museums in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries [4]. The concept of "culture" is often difficult to grasp operationally, because, as a concept, culture is a rich, complex, and multidimensional concept. Indeed, one metaphor of culture as it relates to the heart and soul of ethnic minority peoples is the concept of "humidity" as it relates to the weather. You cannot see

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humidity, but you can definitely feel it when it is there. The human experience is a tapestry woven by a multitude of complex and interconnected factors.

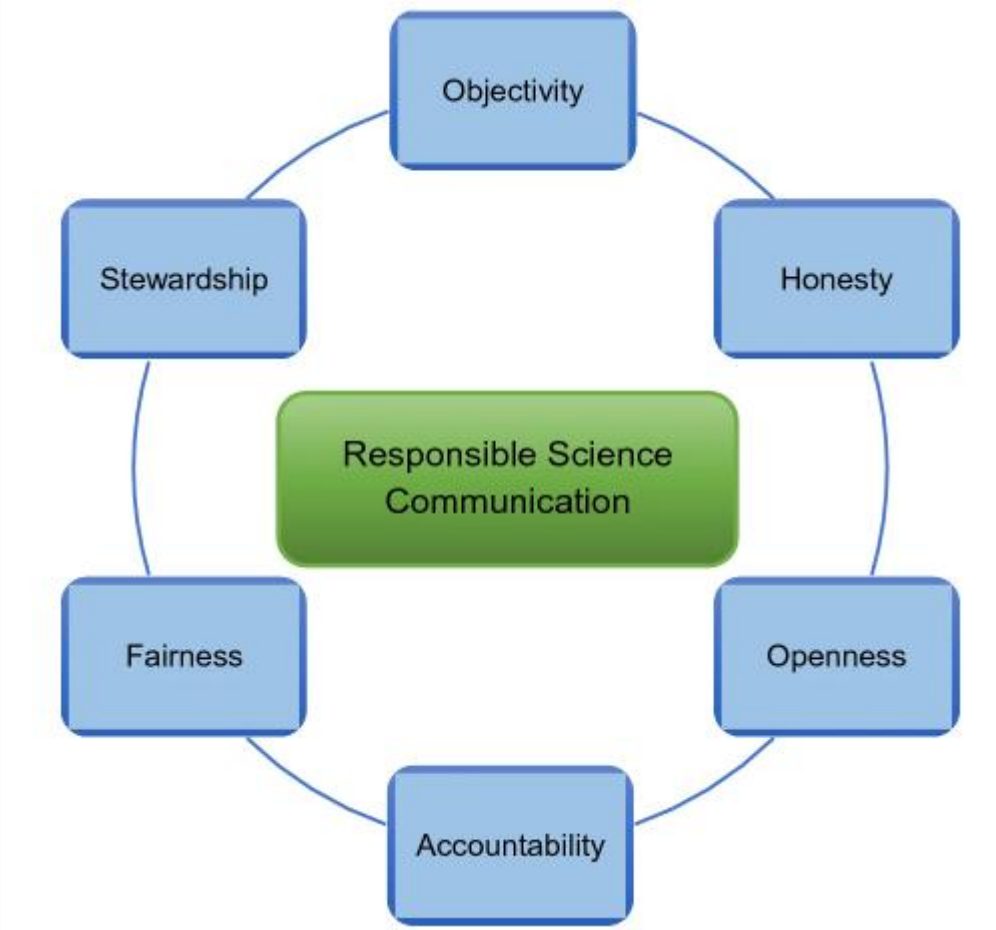


Figure 2. A framework for responsible science communication

Needless to say, intellectual honesty is at the center of doing good science—and so is honest science communication. Science practitioners have a role model function in society and must live up to it. Honesty implies truthfulness and epistemic humility, i.e., staying true to the facts that are known; realizing the limits of one's expertise by avoiding overstatements; and recognizing gaps and ambiguities in the knowledge base. For instance, honest communication and not withholding conflicting information about vaccines can increase trust in science. Acknowledgement of findings that do not fit with one's original hypothesis can mean good things, i.e., steps to a new understanding, and can be communicated accordingly [5]. Following wise advice attributed to Confucius, committing a mistake without correction is like committing another mistake. From genetics and biology to cultural, social, and environmental influences, understanding the forces that shape our experiences is a fascinating and multidimensional endeavor. This article strives to delve into the various factors that contribute to our understanding of the human experience. However, these are precisely the ways in which cultures derive their beliefs and attitudes about 'other' groups, such as people who differ from themselves in terms of sexual orientation, "race" or disability. Cultural ideas are transmitted through such means as religious teachings, folklore, mythology, literature, art, film, news media and language. Stables & Smith observe that the mass media holds the power to transmit and reinforce those attitudes that operate in the interests of dominant groups [6]. Indeed, dominant cultural ideas are produced and reproduced so successfully that they acquire the appearance of 'common-sense'.

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By exploring the interplay between nature and nurture, socialization, technology, and personal beliefs, we can gain deeper insights into what it means to be human and how our experiences are molded and shaped [7]. The philosophy of mind cannot be divorced from the influences of culture and various forms of practice. By understanding these factors and their interplay, we gain invaluable insights into the diverse nature of human experience. Psychology and philosophy share the same roots: both studies primarily of human beings, although one revolves around what the human condition is (philosophy), while the other tries to understand why the human condition is what it is (psychology) and how it functions exactly, given particular contextual locations.

Conclusion. The factors that shape the human experience are vast and interconnected, intertwining nature and nurture, societal norms, cultural context, technology, personal beliefs, and environmental realities. By comprehensively exploring these multidimensional influences, we gain valuable insights into the rich tapestry of human existence. Recognizing and understanding these factors allows us to cultivate empathy, create inclusive societies, and foster a deeper appreciation for the diversity and uniqueness of human experiences. As we continue to unveil the intricate interplay between these factors, we enhance our collective understanding of what it truly means to be human.

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