Davis Projects for Peace
UC Berkeley Campus-wide Competition
Key Questions to Consider

The Davis Projects for Peace Selection Committee will be asked to consider the following questions when reviewing your application, so please be sure to create an application that makes it clear that you have thought through these questions:

1. How familiar are you with the target area? Do you know the local language or, if not, do you plan to work with translators?

2. Do you have mentors who know the region and have helped you design the project? Have you reached out to a diverse set of people?

3. Have you set realistic goals that cater to your skillsets?

4. Do you show a commitment to listening? Have you placed community members at the center of your implementation plans?

5. Do you plan to partner with existing organizations? If not, can you justify a plan in which you will be ‘on your own’?

6. Do you have a clear plan to involve as many stakeholders as possible throughout the entire process?

7. Are you prepared for the complexities of creating and leading a project? Do you have a good understanding of potential risks?

8. Do you show a commitment to being as flexible and adaptive as possible?

9. Do you show a commitment to staying in the community as long possible? Are you considering a follow-up experience?

10. Do you plan to create an NGO? If not, can you make a case that an NGO is unnecessary for project sustainability?

11. Do you have a plan to train locals to help maintain and grow the project?

12. Do you have plans to connect new volunteers to your project?