

COMMUNITY IDEA EXCHANGE @ AMICAL 2020 | AMICAL CONSORTIUM

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES ACROSS UNIVERSITIES: A  
COLLABORATION OF AUC AND AUP FACULTY AND STUDENTS

**TASK**

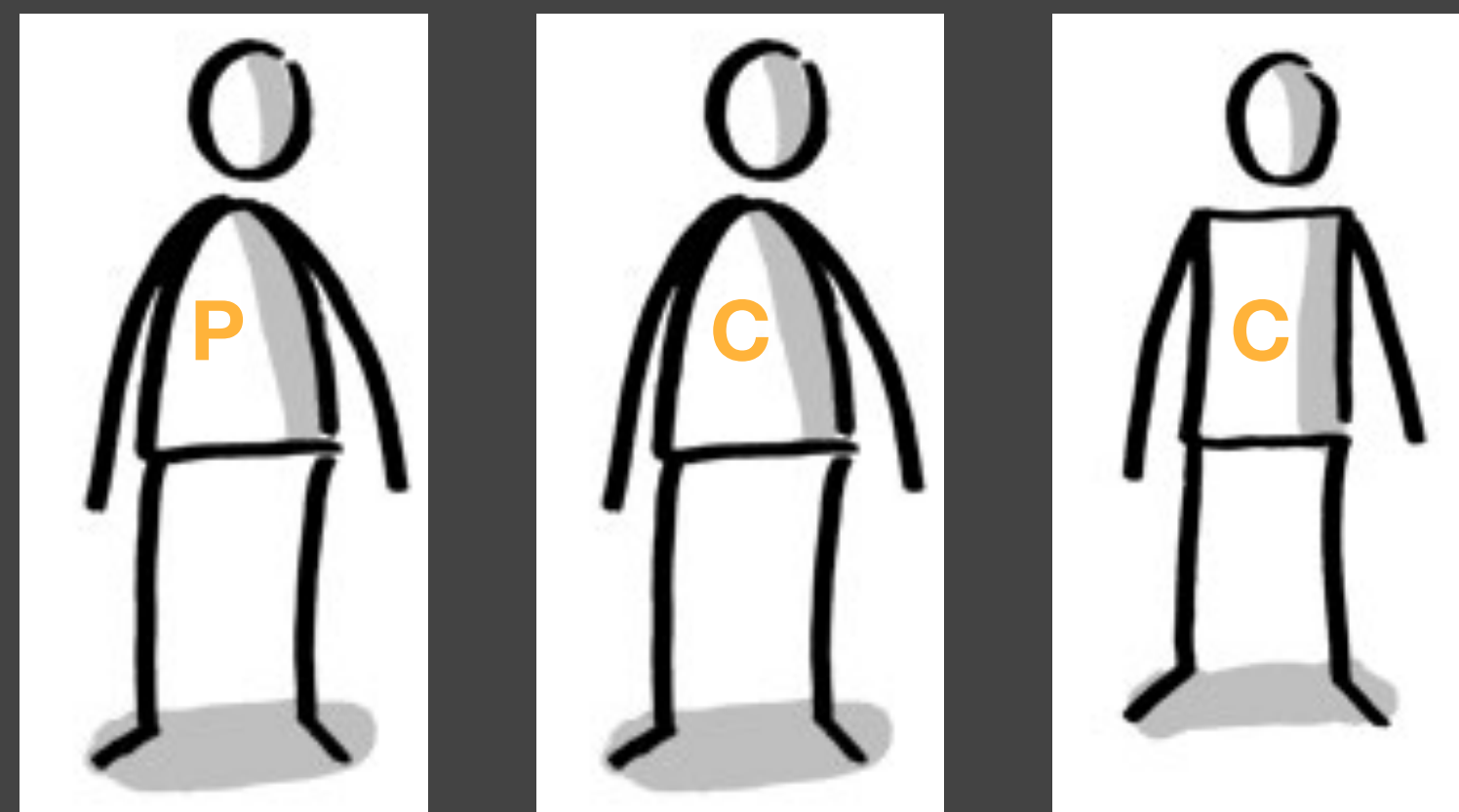
**TECHNOLOGY**

**RESEARCH**

**CULTURE**

THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN CAIRO





Online discussion  
(ZOOM):



introduce yourself

Best place to live in



Reflection



Positioning-  
Analysis



1 Hello,  
2 uhm, my name is F,  
3 I am a psychology major, I am already declared,  
4 I am planning some minor in Engineering and English,  
5 uhm, my native yani language is Arabic,  
6 I can also speak English and a little Spanish.  
7 Uhm, the place I have lived the longest is probably yani Cairo,  
8 I have lived in England for about four to five years,  
9 uhm, so I've spent most of my life in uhm yani Cairo.

10 (another speaker)

11 Uhm, Cairo is a big city,  
12 it uhm, has a lot of touristic monuments, uhm.



# TECHNOLOGY

I had a lot of doubts about the video call technicalities and how we will manage to be online at exactly the same time, but it turned out to be very efficient and even provides high sound and picture quality.

## TOOLS:

- ▶ ZOOM
- ▶ Blackboard
- ▶ iPhone
- ▶ Slack
- ▶ Whatsapp
- ▶ Skype
- ▶ etc.

## PROCEDURES:

- ▶ Recorded online meetings
- ▶ Remote lectures
- ▶ Traditional class meetings
- ▶ Peer evaluation

## TEACHING METHODS:

- ▶ In-class instructions
- ▶ Written guides
- ▶ Self-organization / self coordination
- ▶ Independent learning



# CULTURE

Even though each of us in the group grew up in a different country, held different beliefs, lived in different places in the world, and even spoke a different language, we somehow still had several things in common and were able to communicate easily and relate to one another.

We all had different lives, but still we all spoke about the same things. It's just our cultures were all diffused in a way. We knew the same things and spoke about the same things. It seemed like globalization was a true thing because as different as we were, we were all alike.

## AUP vs AUC

- ▶ Wifi connection
- ▶ Different skills
- ▶ Different tools
- ▶ Time management

## 'EGYPT VS FRANCE'

- ▶ Expectations of sameness and difference
- ▶ "You know"

## PERSONALITY VS DEVELOPMENT

- ▶ Developing 'forwards' ?
- ▶ Looking back ?

# RESEARCH

[...] she expressed her cultural identity, her consideration and sensitivity towards others around her, and these observations were the result of a temporally located and interactionally influenced interview.

## SMALL STORY

- ▶ Positioning **analysis**
- ▶ Video **transcription**
- ▶ Group **reflection**

## BIG STORY

- ▶ Biographical Interview
- ▶ Interviewing **techniques**
- ▶ Comparing **approaches**

## NARRATIVE AND IDENTITY

- ▶ Individual reflection papers
- ▶ Experiencing both:  
**Researcher and participant**

