

A Humanistic Approach to the Human/Non-Human Animal Connection

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SACRED



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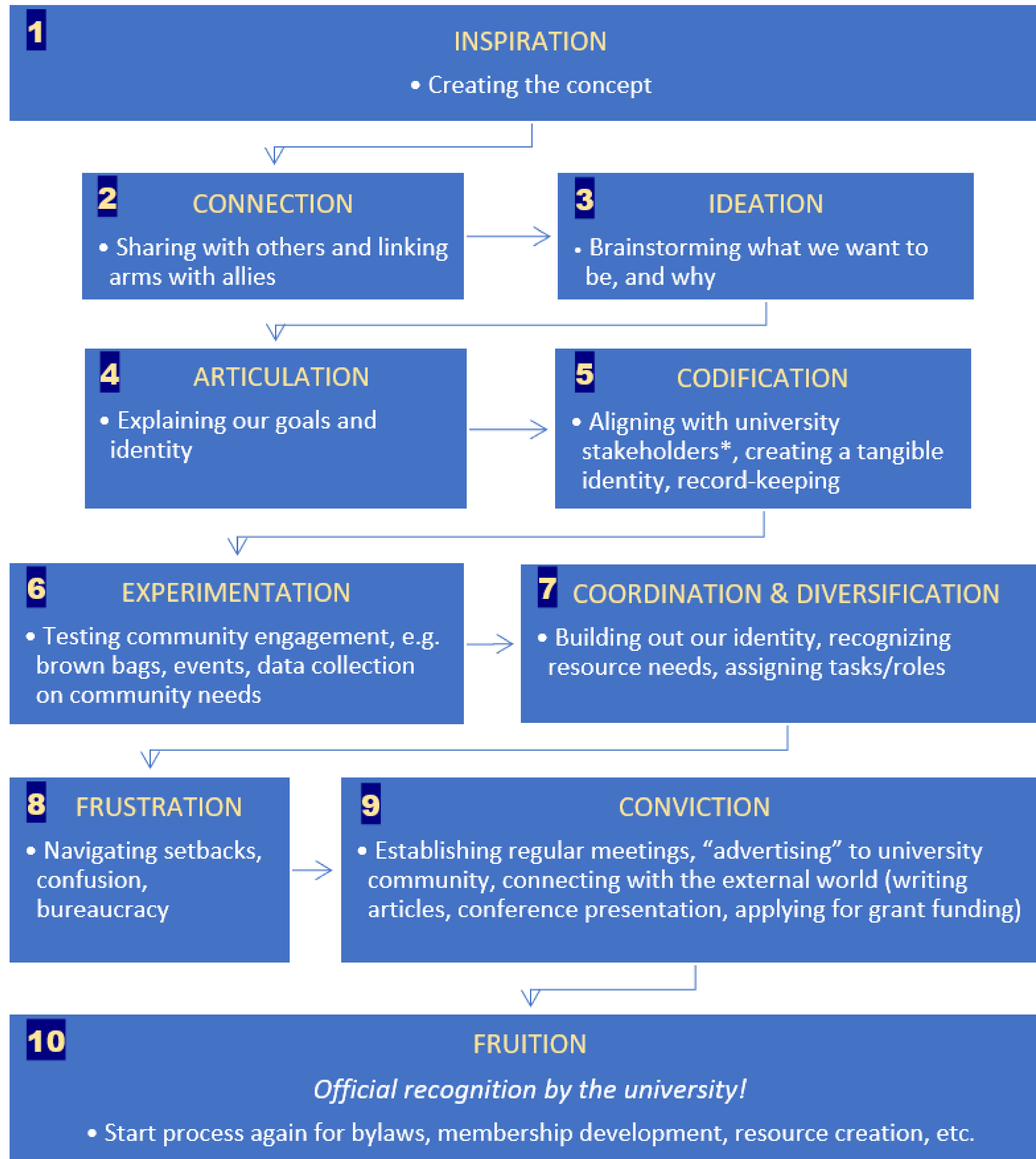
Mission & Vision

SACRED's Mission

The Saybrook Animal Care, Research, and Education with Dignity community interest group (SACRED CIG) seeks to improve the welfare and relationships of animals, including people, through integrative research, teaching, collaboration, and service activities.

SACRED's Vision

Our vision is to maximize the beneficial aspects of the animal-human connection by creating and sharing resources, support, and encouragement.



Humanistic Considerations

- Humanism is about more than humans.
- Community is the lifeblood of university connections.
- The intersection of an expanded notion of humanism and the power of community provides a context for exploring the development of SACRED's content and structure as a community interest group (CIG).
- Here, the authors document their process for creating a university-wide community interest group devoted to exploring the human/non-human animal bond.

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