

## Worldview Dimensions: Dominant and Non-Dominant Cultures in US

<i>Dimension</i>	<i>Dominant Culture</i>	<i>Non-Dominant Culture</i>
Survival	Individual is primary; competitive orientation; independence valued	Group is primary; collective orientation; interdependence valued
Control Over Environment	Personal power; "take charge" over circumstances	Belief in fate or "will of the Gods;" harmony with nature valued
Time	Time is a commodity that is carefully managed	Human interaction takes precedence over schedules
Family	Nuclear family is focus; single-generation family more pronounced; hierarchical roles and responsibilities	Extended kinship networks are prominent; blended roles and responsibilities
Age	Youth oriented; beauty, brains ("quick thinking"), talent are valued	Elder oriented; elders have authority, wisdom, spiritual power
Feelings	Carefully controlled; reserved	Highly expressive
Gender Roles	Clearly designated; male dominant	Flexible; interchangeable; egalitarian
Verbal Communication	Controlled; organized; sequential; low context e.g., lots of words)	Call-response; fluid; high context (e.g., few words – "You have to be there")
Conflict Resolution	Direct	Indirect; face saving
Healing Styles	Professional services	Indigenous healers