Contextual Human Life Span Development

- Development = change over time
- Growth
  - Maturation of individuals
  - Growth of relationships
• **Relationships**

• To people and institutions

• Necessary for health, resilience, well-being

• Professionals foster human growth and development
• Image of human nature

• Humans are organizers of own experience

• Must adapt to specific contexts
COMPLEXITY, CULTURE, CONTEXT

- Genetics, age, traits
- Life experiences
- Context

- Geography, history, access to opportunity, previous generations, material world, institutions (media)