



The Dust Project

A snapshot of humanity made from household dust samples.

Demonstration of the nature and content of community discussions in the coming year

Participating students will convene for five online meetings on the community platform throughout the school year. Each meeting will feature short, surprising video clips exploring diverse options for the project's entrepreneurial and conceptual nature.

Each participant is invited to choose their preferred option for each topic.

The most common option indicates the group trend.

Example from the first topic at the Dust Project

Topic: Your preferred approach to house dust

1/4 - One of four options: Historical, Scientific, Psychological, Philosophical.

Philosophical approach - "From dust to dust"

The philosophical phrase aligns with the scientific principles of conservation of matter and the first law of thermodynamics

- Chemist Antoine Lavoisier: "Nothing is lost, nothing is created, everything is transformed,"
- Buddhist, Nhat Hanh, Heart Sutra: "Form is emptiness, emptiness is form. Whatever is emptiness is form.
- Netflix, Blue Eye Samurai: "Nothing is born, Nothing broken."

It looks like there is a shared recognition of our reality's dynamic and interrelated nature.

Scientific approach: Who and how is deciphering dust samples today? and 100 years?

Archaeology, Alergology, Microbiology, Environmental, and Forensic Science

approaches house dust with their unique set of questions and develop deciphering methods with breakthrough technologies.

Science fiction: Who will find the samples? What questions will be asked? What deciphering methods will be used?

Historical approach - The unit "Home."

The concept of home can be seen as the foundation upon which any other aspect of human life is built. A House dust sample is a material evidence snapshot about who we were, what we ate, where we lived, and who we loved.

One sample tells the story of people, Several samples tell the story of a city, Several cities tell the story of a country.

Psychological approach - Erasure is writing in Dust

Michael Marder: "Cloth in hand, we erase proofs of our mortality and of our posthumous blending with the environment."

Individuals with OCD rituals of cleaning house dust are often Faced with fear and awareness of their mortality.

What will happen if I blend into the environment?

Additional topics at the Dust Project

Functionality: 1/2 - Analyze samples, Sealing for the future.

Motive for sponsors: 1/2 - ROI, VOI.

Motive for participants: 1/4 - Identity, Belonging, Activism, Education

Project definition: 1/4 - Documentary, Artistic, Citizen science, Commercial campaign.