

ONLINE: Cultural Competency

"Meeting students' needs across diverse cultural backgrounds."

Teachers deepen their understanding of their own frames of reference, potential bias, and impact on expectations for and relationships with students, students' families and school communities.

This course demonstrates responsive teaching in the classroom by helping teachers consider, connect with, and build competence in meeting the many learning needs of all students while addressing culturally diverse classrooms that are sensitive and equitable to learners across languages, genders, religions, cultural backgrounds, and special needs.



Designed to meet state requirements for cultural competency and responsiveness training including but not limited to all of the following topics: racial, cultural, and socioeconomic groups; American Indian and Alaskan native students; religion; systemic racism; gender identity, including transgender students; sexual orientation; language diversity; and individuals with disabilities and mental health concerns while deepening teachers' understanding of their own frames of reference, the potential bias in these frames, and their impact on expectations for and relationships with students, students' families, and the school communities.

Standards:

This course aligns to the INTASC Standards including Learner Development, Learning Differences, and Learning Environments.

The course also aligns to the McRel Teacher Evaluation Standards including Teacher Leadership, and Diverse Learners

Each self-study PD course from Professional Learning Board includes:

- Convenient access anytime, anywhere, any device
- Interactive online textbook
- Implement practical suggestions immediately
- Demonstrate comprehension with quizzes and checks for understanding
- Print certificates of completion
- Easily assign courses to align with each teacher's personalized PD needs
- Integrate with school and district-wide initiatives
- Low cost solution for all courses, all teachers, all school year
- Reports for school administrators

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Course Outline

LESSON 1 Cultural Competency

- Defining Culture and Cultural Competency
- Cultural Beliefs and Values
- Impact of Culture on Behavior

LESSON 2 Bias

- Definition, types and identification of bias
- Assumptions, Perspectives, Self-Perceptions

LESSON 3

Culturally Responsive Classrooms

- Impact of culture on teaching and learning
- Brain roles in learning
- Teaching styles and student impact
- Building rapport with students

LESSON 4

Culturally Responsive Teaching

- Diversity in the classroom
- Understanding diversity: origin, religion, gender, language, special needs and mental health
- Cohesive Classrooms and School Communities
- Collaborating with Families

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