Ethnic Studies Online Professional Development Outline

This online professional development was created by the Division of Instruction in collaboration with the Human Relations, Diversity, and Equity and the Health Education Programs departments. Resources include articles from scholarly journals and publications as well as relevant Ted Talk video segments.

Objectives: The Ethnic Studies online professional development has been designed to assist teachers in

- Establishing a classroom environment that recognizes the value of all student stories
- Valuing diversity in all of its forms
- Encouraging active listening
- Incorporating social justice

Assignments: Participants will be responsible for reading a series of articles and watching several short videos. The articles and the videos have associated questions that require participants to reflect upon what they have read and watched, and respond in a written fashion.

Assignment 1 The Danger of the Single Story
Assignment 2 Diversity Issues are Sneaky
Assignment 3 Active Listening Part One
Assignment 4 Active Listening Part Two
Assignment 5 Social Justice
Assignment 6 Safe Space, Diversity and Complexity in the Classroom, and Establishing Norms
Assignment 7 Facilitating Discussions, Ground Rules, Managing Hot Topic in the Classroom

Requirements for Payment: Once a participant has successfully completed this course and it has been verified that they are teaching at least one section of Ethnic Studies (370733) during the 2016 – 17 school year, they will be compensated for 6 hours at their regular rate of pay.