

# “Inclusive Practices in Engagement”

By Dr. Neal Malik

## Presentation Transcript

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Paulchris Okpala: Do you think I should.

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Paulchris Okpala: Okay.

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Paulchris Okpala: All right, everyone good afternoon.

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Paulchris Okpala: and welcome to the first faculty video showcase the recent this academic year.

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Paulchris Okpala: So this event is a joint initiative.

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Paulchris Okpala: hosted by the Faculty development and library.

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Paulchris Okpala: The purpose of the joint initiative is to highlight our faculties research by expanding on social justice, inclusive practices and engagement.

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Paulchris Okpala: Innovation through this workshop we hope it expands.

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Paulchris Okpala: Student learning as our faculty integrate this video showcase into the curriculum to create inclusive pedagogical initiatives.

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Paulchris Okpala: without further delay is my pleasure now to introduce the College of natural science.

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Paulchris Okpala: The Dr Sasha peninsula, who will then introduce our presenter Dr Neil Malik then peninsula.

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Sastry Pantula: Thank you, Paul is much appreciated this is a topic that is very close to my heart, and I really appreciate.

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Sastry Pantula: Neil talking about this today, in fact, I was just at a conference here where we're talking about the equity gaps and.

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Sastry Pantula: Culturally responsive teaching etc so i'm very glad to see that Neil is doing this, so Dr Neil Malik is an assistant professor at CSU sb.

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Sastry Pantula: and has taught courses in higher education for over 14 years he has been featured as a health expert on local and national radio, as well as multiple online and print publications, including the La times and men's fitness magazine.

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Sastry Pantula: Dr Malik has also published multiple peer reviewed my manuscripts he's an editor for academic journals and horse his own daily health podcast.

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Sastry Pantula: you're all in for a treat enjoy Thank you.

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Neal Malik: Thank you Dean pen tool Thank you so much for that warm welcome and it's a pleasure to have been asked.

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Neal Malik: To do this presentation so.

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Neal Malik: Thank you FTC Thank you library, thank you, Dr Paula for allowing me to present.

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Neal Malik: I have been in higher education for over 14 years but i'll be honest that culturally inclusive practices within the classroom wasn't something that.

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Neal Malik: I really thought much about until somewhat recently and so i'll preface my presentation with that i'm still learning as well, along with you.

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Neal Malik: I will be presenting on what I have found to be very helpful in the classroom, but there are many other options out there, available and.

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Neal Malik: I look forward to even hearing from you and feedback from you about what works and what doesn't so without further ado i'll go ahead and begin my presentation.

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Neal Malik: Presenting as part of this faculty showcase video series the specific topic of inclusive practices and engagement.

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Neal Malik: i'm an assistant Professor within the Department of Health science and human ecology here at California State University San Bernardino Thank you so much for taking the time to view this presentation.

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To begin.

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I want to discuss what the aims are of this specific presentation, I always like to start with the why bother question, and in fact I often ask my students.

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Why do you think we're bothering covering this topic Why am I using precious class time to discuss this.

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And so I thought, why deviate from that let's make sure we're all on the same page before we really get into culture and culturally responsive or culture, responsive learning.

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And how might each help with students learning, I want to also discuss some actual inclusive pedagogy with examples.

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I want to give you an opportunity to identify at least one practice you hope to incorporate and I want to start off by saying i'm still learning to in no way what I consider myself a complete expert on this topic, but rather I am learning along the way, just like you.

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So, beginning with why bother what is our ultimate goal.

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Why would we even bother discussing this topic, well, I hope that you can share the same goal.

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We want to ensure that every student has an equal chance for success.

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How can we possibly achieve that well, we can get closer by incorporating some of these concepts.

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Before we get into it, I want you to think for a moment think back to when you were in school.

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Was the authority of teachers and elders assumed or did they have to earn it.

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Think back when you first walked into a classroom did you automatically give your teachers, the respect or they have to earn your respect.

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same with elders well i'll tell you in my experience, it was already assumed automatically based on the culture, I was brought up in based on how my caregivers raised me.

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I had to assume teachers needed my respect and deserve my respect elders same thing, and in fact in my culture it's considered respectful.

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When a teacher or an elder or someone of authority is talking to you, you look down in a way you don't make eye contact with them when they're speaking to you, you actually look down in a way that's considered respectful.

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And that was something I wasn't used to, and my teachers weren't used to when they were talking to me, and I would be looking down they thought I wasn't paying attention.

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But in fact that was very much paying attention, and so this was something that I had to adapt to I hadn't learned to make eye contact with elders with my teachers, especially.

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And so that's one area that some students might differ.

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You may have to earn their respect others may come in with automatic respect for you.

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So this leads us to the idea of culturally responsive teaching, how is it defined.

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Think of it this way, we know that students come to our classrooms they come to our university with pre existing knowledge things that they already know.

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We want to teach them new concepts.

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Well, culture is the scaffold.

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it's the in between.

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It allows students to connect their pre existing knowledge.

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To new concepts, the concepts we're trying to teach them.

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So it bridges, the gap that's why culturally responsive teaching is so important, it will help students bridge the gap between what they know and what we'd like them to know.

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What we find from the research is that on a neuronal level when we think, cognition when we think brain nerves.

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This leads to effective information processing one week corporate culturally responsive teaching.

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It incorporates effective information processing and as an added bonus a safer space for learning.

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In fact, culturally responsive education has been found to strengthen student connectedness with school and enhance their learning.

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tinto who sponsored one of the pioneers in this type of culturally responsive teaching and education.

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theorized that students of color may have a decreased sense of belonging, given that their social and cultural background may not align with college or university culture.

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Now that was pinto's theory back in 1975 but since then, since his pioneering work research does seem to support this idea, and in fact this lack of alignment.

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may lead to a higher likelihood of attrition among the students so students cannot define with the university or college culture they're more likely to drop out.

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Now, how is this possible, how is it possible that culture helps make the connection between old concepts and new concepts.

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Well it's because culture helps the brain make sense of the world, the brain uses cultural information to turn everyday events into something meaningful we do this, all the time and our students are no different.

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Culturally responsive instruction then may promote higher order thinking and Problem Solving among our students, if we can relate the material to them.

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I want to deviate a little bit and use this example of marketing, I want to use a marketing principle to try and prove this point.

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We could actually learn a lot from marketers I believe that at times marketers those that are designing advertising for selling products, for example.

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They know, at times, it seems more about human psychology and human behavior then, many of us in the health field, and let me show you some examples.

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When it comes to marketing one key marketing principle is this idea of lookalike audiences Now it may not be as obvious as.

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These two celebrities that people say look very similar bryce Dallas Howard on the right and Jessica JESSICA chastain on the left.

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They are not twins they are not related by blood, as far as they know yet they look quite alike same with Javier bardem and Jeffrey Dean Morgan both actors not related they just happened to look alike and Gordon Ramsay in this random maybe some say they look alike.

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Now this idea of lookalike audiences.

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is a key concept for marketing in that.

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Those that look like someone else tend to like that person, even more so when we look like someone or we share common characteristics with someone.

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We tend to like them more we'd like the products they're using more.

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And in fact Facebook uses this idea of lookalike audiences all the time, and in fact i'm going to quote Facebook in a moment.

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The definition of a look alike audience is they share similar characteristics to your existing customers.

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Facebook says they have a patented algorithm that does just that, in fact, to create a look alike audience our Facebook.

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system leverages information such as demographics interests and behaviors from your source audience to find new people who share similar qualities, when you use a look alike audience your ad is delivered to that audience of people who are similar to or look like your existing customers.

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Okay So what does this have to do with culturally responsive teaching.

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Well, basically, can we use examples in our classroom where the examples we provide share similar characteristics or look like our students.

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And in fact studies have found that when faculty when staff at universities tend to come from similar backgrounds of students, they don't drop out as often it seems to make a difference.

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Going back to this advertising example i'll try and prove my point even further, think about ads directed at children, here is a happy meal at.

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We would not expect to see an adult enjoying a happy meal, with a big smile on their face that just wouldn't happen, why not.

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Because we're selling to kids they're selling their product to kids not to adults, therefore, they would feature a child enjoying a happy meal and the Ad.

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So that kids children can relate to the add another example I don't know if you've ever really noticed at your grocery store if you just walk down the cereal aisle.

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Where do we find if you really think about it, where do we find the most nutritious cereals.

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Have you looked carefully.

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they're always up here where nobody looks they're hard to grab, to a lesser extent you'll find some of the decently nutritious cereals down at the very bottom.

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What do you find right around waist height, for most adults.

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The kids cereals those sugary probably those cereals, that we don't want kids to consume all that often because they're not as nutritious there right at waist height, for most adults, why well it's because, when the child comes bouncing down the aisle with their caregiver.

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shelf or these shelves are right at eye level.

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And what's featured on the boxes on the cereal boxes receipt toys, we see pictures of other children with big smiles on their faces enjoying the cereal.

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Look alike audiences, this is not done by accident, so why can't we take a cue from those that know seem to know human behavior and human psychology so well.

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couldn't we design our courses to incorporate this very same concept, yes, we just need to do it.

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In fact rendon theorized that validating students experiences may serve as an acknowledgement of their existence and does increase their involvement and reduce attrition validating students experiences through lookalike audiences, for example.

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Incorporating culturally relevant curricula.

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students have reported that the presence of faculty with an understanding of the importance of racial identity contributed to a positive experience within their respective institutions so just acknowledging.

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That the students are individuals that identify with their racial or ethnic group or their culture.

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can make all the difference.

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Institutions must provide learning environments that are culturally sensitive by including curricula that are culturally relevant.

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These aren't just my opinion these are backed by research.

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redesigning courses to include culturally relevant topics has been shown to be successful in increasing student retention rates.

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If these topics include perspectives of those that are underrepresented, it may validate their life experiences and it may increase their engagement and retention.

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Multiple studies have shown that.

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Students that specifically identify as let next have reported the presence and visibility of others from a similar cultural background increase their feelings of belonging, this and related this.

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Here at cal State University San Bernardino over 60% of our students identify as latinx and therefore the presence and visibility of others from a similar background may reduce attrition but we as faculty can also incorporate.

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latinx culture into our coursework.

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Now, you may be thinking well at my university or my class.

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superficially they seem to come from all different backgrounds.

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there's no way I could know every single culture represented my classroom and I would agree with you there's no way to know that, but what we're thinking about right now, then, is very superficially, but if we dig deeper and we go beyond just what we think we see.

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We will find deeper patterns that unite cultures, for example, there tend to be individualistic for the collectivist cultures, there are cultures that emphasize oral traditions, as opposed to written and so on.

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How do you know.

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Have you ever experienced semester by semester or quarter by quarter.

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Each class, you may be teaching the same subject, but each class seems to have its own subculture.

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that's one way to unite your class is by looking at well are they talkative are they quiet do they prefer group work do they prefer working on their own, that alone can help foster a learning environment.

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To be more specific, I promised I would provide actual examples, and these are from my experience, based on the research that has been done before me.

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In fact, based on their research morrison finigan recommend that the administration of pre assessments in order to identify students at high risk for attrition attrition excuse me, may be helpful.

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So what I often do is at the beginning of the Semester, I have students complete an anonymous survey online.

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Their names are not attached to their actual responses, but I know when a student has completed it because the learning management system will say check the student.

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answered all the questions, but it never connect their name to the actual responses, so I tell students in the beginning, this is anonymous so you're welcome to be open with your responses to a certain extent.

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And I basically asked them, in fact, the title of my surveys, how can I, as your instructor help.

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I don't title it.

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semester survey, for example, I asked them in the title, how can I help so i'm setting up a tone, right from the beginning and then phrasing, the question is important, I asked them what can I do as your instructor to help you succeed in the course.

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Then, in order to promote their viewing of the syllabus and actually pouring to the syllabus I often ask them hey after looking at the course schedule what topics sounds interesting to you.

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Is there a topic that we're not covering the Semester that's not listed that you would like to learn more about I don't make any promises I don't say we can definitely cover every single suggestion, but it makes them feel empowered that I do care about their learning.

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Additionally, morrison finnegan site, the importance of clarity and repetition, and especially for teaching an asynchronous online course.

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being very, very clear with our expectations and repeating especially repeating when due dates are coming up.

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reminding students being a little bit more intrusive, which is something i'm going to talk about in a moment, but.

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Being really intrusive when it comes to reminding students about what's coming don't forget it does take a little bit more from us as faculty to sort of remind those students who may be struggling.

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Another example after the pre assessment incorporate culturally relevant curriculum as part of the course objectives didactic coursework should incorporate material to which students of color can relate.

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Also, I must mention that, if you do a survey, you must must must report back on the results of that survey.

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The students results can't just go into the ether, and you never address it again what I often do is I will present.

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Some of the feedback to the class so they know that I actually read it, and actually thought about their responses, it makes them feel validated and makes them feel empowered it makes it feel like you do care and you do listen.

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So if you do a survey it's important to at least give the students some feedback, let them know you hear them.

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Next, encourage students to provide examples as to how the course material never late to those that come from similar cultural backgrounds, by doing this, it may increase the students sense of belonging, which again more belonging means less likelihood of attrition.

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What i've done before, is depending on the pre assessment i'll modify assignments, so that they may include maybe more written or oral presentation components it kind of depends, or maybe i'll incorporate both if I don't get a good sense of the culture of the class.

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What I have done before, is again given that about 66% of cal State University San Bernardino students identify latinx what i've done in my nutrition classes, where I teach in the nutrition program here.

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I would ask them about things like let's say fast food meals at taco bell and del taco.

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Would those be considered authentic Mexican cuisine why or why not.

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Often, in my experience.

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Others from different cultures, feel that South American Food and Central American Food is exactly the same as Mexican food, but that's not true at all.

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And so, an example would be pick one South American country and compare and contrast how traditional Mexican ingredients and preparations differ from that South American countries ingredients and preparations.

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Other examples, it can be as simple as when presenting case studies.

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If that's something you do in your class you're usually provide patient names for your cases right well why not include a name that comes from a different culture, a culture that your students may identify with that alone can be beneficial.

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When you use images like images that i'm using in this PowerPoint you can see that.

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The one on the right features, mostly what appeared to be white students and a white instructor, whereas the one on the bottom left you can see, there are other cultures that have been featured.

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And one more thing, whenever possible, refer to students by name I know in large classes, this may be really challenging I get that but let's say you're grading assignments online paper assignments before writing your feedback.

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write down their name say address them by name say so, and so I appreciate this assignment, I really like how you address that that data always address them by name, whenever possible.

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Three like I mentioned before, be intrusive.

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When students struggle, they may be embarrassed or they may be hesitant to reach out to you for help.

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If you notice students are struggling a student is struggling they're not logging on to the LM s as often reach out to them.

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Because they probably are going to be bashful about reaching out to you first you can incorporate planned or unplanned interactions with students, so you can schedule regular check ins via email or via phone or zoom.

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Again, if students, if you notice that there are some students who haven't logged on to the course LM s in a while or appear to be struggling with the material reach out to them, you may have to be the first to reach out, they may not be the first reach out to you.

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i've done this before an example, I would say hi so, and so, but I would actually include their name of course i've noticed that you haven't logged on to our course in a while I wanted to check in and make sure all as well.

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I have never encountered a student this isn't to say that it could never happen, but I have yet to encounter a student that has said, you know what.

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buzz off don't bother me, in fact, more often than not, are in it basically every time students have responded with wow I didn't even think you noticed.

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So it can go a long way to simply just reach out and say hey I want to check and make sure everything's Okay, what can I do to help.

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I want to mention since i'm sort of discussing it as i'm talking this idea of tone.

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tone can be very, very important and it's important when it comes to just giving first impressions of your course.

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I want to show you an example of where I went really, really wrong with tone for 12 years i'm going to show you page one paragraph.

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Paragraph one through three have an undergraduate lower division course that I used to teach and here was the first page and paragraphs of my syllabus take a look.

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I provide the course description which is required, nothing new there right so that's fine I give them that.

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But there's no greeting there was no greeting above it, I had the title of the course up here, but that was it there was no welcome to the class, it was just here's the course description.

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And then I gave a little summary where I say, using a disease prevention approach i'm going to emphasize behavioral change to help you reduce your risk.

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For many of the major chronic diseases decrease your levels of distress help you choose which foods to eat and decide how much exercise, you should be doing.

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that's i'm assuming students need to reduce their risk for disease decrease their stress, I need to help them choose which foods do if they don't know already and decide how much exercise, they need to be doing that's a lot of assumptions that may be incorrect.

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peers here's my plagiarism and cheating verbiage Look how strict I am neither are tolerated plagiarism is the defined act of stealing or passing off someone else's words ideas as your own.

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plagiarism is defined as the act of stealing or passing off someone else's words ideas is your own, for example when completing a research paper you copy and paste material from another person's work without giving them credit, this would be plagiarism.

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Engaging and inactive plagiarism is a violation of academic integrity will not be tolerated and will result in an automatic F Look how strict diet cheating is not tolerated cheating would would include forms of plagiarism as outlined above.

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and any of the following during a quiz or exam looking at other students quiz talking using notes, etc.

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cheating will result in an automatic score of zero points for that excite for that assignment or quiz and exam as well as a required visit to the academic D.

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So so very strict look at the late work and make up your policy all assignments papers and projects are due by the date and time listed.

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There are no exceptions students who turned in work late will lose points for each day the assignment is late.

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It is your responsibility to have assignments uploaded on time, you cannot give me any excuses it's always a good idea to have a backup plan so it's not.

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on anyone else's fault but yours doesn't say that, but you get the idea.

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You may turn your work in earlier but no work will be accepted via email makeup work will only be accepted in case of special emergency and so on, so very strict.

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But since then I have learned a lot I have learned about motivational silla by that's what you're seeing here notice how much more inviting it is.

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I use a different tone notice how the title of the course as an exclamation point because i'm excited to have them as a student.

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i'm welcoming them with an exclamation point my tone is a lot softer i'm talking about how excited I am to have them in this class how i'm grateful that they're one of my students it's called a motivational syllabus because you'll see these little motivational quotes throughout.

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I cannot take credit for this design meeting this motivational syllabus idea I learned about it through a California state university system wide training and there were faculty who showed us this concept and I took to it and I thought it was fantastic.

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In it's an inviting tone.

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notice also.

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We would have to make sure that this is a da compliant so the use of certain colors and fonts we want to make sure that everything is a da compliant.

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But I have found informally that students really appreciate this redesign and they find that it does seem to set a specific tone for the class and that could be the first impression that students get.

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Now something else that I do incorporate is in order to engage students in the syllabus because i've went through all this work, I want them to look at it is like I said before in the pre assessment, I asked them.

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Little things about the syllabus like hey take a look at the core schedule, what do you want to learn more about what's missing, what do you like what topics interest you.

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Now these motivational syllabi do end up being quite lengthy but studies have found that longer syllabi by actually encourage students to look through it to take the time to look through it shorter syllabi I don't encourage that as much.

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So, in summary, the following may improve retention rates among students of color, especially in an online environment these could be using online environment as well.

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First pre assessment know your students ask about potential barriers to success and indicate how an instructor you have their instructor may support their success.

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whenever you can refer to them by name, even if it's just assignment feedback after this pre assessment incorporate culturally relevant curricula as part of the course objectives didactic coursework should incorporate material to which students of color can relate.

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Think imagery case study names, there are many ways to incorporate just a little bit of color culturally relevant curricula encourage students to provide examples as to how the course material may relate to those that come from similar backgrounds.

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This, in turn, may increase the students sense of belonging, which may decrease the likelihood of attrition and again be intrusive ask them if they need anything, what can you do to help.

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Now, this may feel overwhelming, there are a lot of tips that I provided, and I hope you don't feel too overwhelmed remember i'm still learning and I redesigned my syllabus because my tone was terrible, so I hope you don't feel overwhelmed if you do.

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I hope you can identify just one inclusive practice that jumped out at you, as I was talking about some of these tips, maybe one jumped out at you were like oh yeah I could do that or that doesn't seem so bad.

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that's where you can start just start, you may find that you've already begun doing this, you may have already incorporated one or more of these already If so, how to go, could you improve upon it, could you add to it.

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Those are the little steps that we can take to start incorporating culture culturally relevant curricula.

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Before I close, I wanted to acknowledge cal State University San Bernardino issues X culturally responsive teaching community and the facilitators who have really helped me find some of these resources and acknowledge the areas where I could improve as an instructor.

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Again, thank you for your attention.

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Paulchris Okpala: Thank you, Dr Malik that was.

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Paulchris Okpala: That was great.

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Neal Malik: Thank you.

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Paulchris Okpala: hey I truly truly truly enjoyed this presentation, with all the relevant information you shared I especially like the examples particular the marketing concepts.

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Paulchris Okpala: In know targeting the audience, I think that was the main in her for all purpose of being faculty in, especially if we're solving our students from different you know backgrounds, so I think is.

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Paulchris Okpala: The message is sent absolutely made very good connection, so I really appreciate that so while you were present, I was making notes, I have.

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Paulchris Okpala: No, not up to not more than three questions I think so, so if you don't mind addressing those posters and i'm going to turn it over to the audience, I think there might have no questions to ask.

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Paulchris Okpala: Sure, so you did provide really bad recommendations, there were so many.

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Paulchris Okpala: I know from one slide to the next slide is a couple and Catherine Catherine.

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Paulchris Okpala: copy oh.

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Paulchris Okpala: My God this recommendations that you share which one have you found most helpful with your students.

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Neal Malik: yeah it's.

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Neal Malik: I was overwhelmed when I first got into this and sort of did a deep dive and culturally relevant.

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Neal Malik: curricula and everything and I actually started feeling really bad for myself, because I was like i'm doing none of these things right now, and it was very overwhelming for me.

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Neal Malik: And so what i've found to be most helpful from for me and my students work is is something actually I didn't specifically address in the presentation, but I sort of alluded to it, is that.

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Neal Malik: setting the tone just right, but even just starting class with like a casual conversation sometimes.

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Neal Malik: i'll notice you get sort of an energy sort of a vibe from students right before class starts sometimes they're really talkative and you can.

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Neal Malik: hear them talking about their plans for the weekend and there's the room is buzzing with energy, there are other days but they're quiet and nobody's talking to each other and their heads are down.

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Neal Malik: and on those days I just come in, and I say hey before we get to today's topic before I even start, how are you feeling how you doing what's going on.

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Neal Malik: And i'll say you you aren't all aren't talkative this morning what's going on, how are you nervous about finals midterms and then they sort of start to open up and.

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Neal Malik: You could see the energy shift you could feel it shift I should say, and that alone i've found really, really helpful they know that.

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Neal Malik: i'm their mentor i'm not their teacher, so to speak, but i'm sort of their guide and.

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Neal Malik: i'm not their friend, but i'm there to just to support them to be successful, and so, starting with that kind of casual discussion, I found makes a huge difference and kind of sort of can set up the rest of that class period in a positive way.

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Neal Malik: Oh you're muted Dr Paula.

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Paulchris Okpala: Alright sorry about that.

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Paulchris Okpala: So thank you for that comprehensive, as I appreciate that and then based on your answer to that question to go.

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Paulchris Okpala: to the first question I asked was the unapproved I didn't go.

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Paulchris Okpala: In a well as you're hooked.

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Neal Malik: yeah I would say, when I gave surveys, especially at the start of the pandemic when sort of everything went online.

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Neal Malik: I surveyed my students and I asked them hey, what can I do to help and all that, but then I never shared the results with them it's sort of went into the Internet it went into nowhere and.

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Neal Malik: Some of the student feedback was hey did you ever read the results of the survey like did what happened there what what was going on, and so they were.

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Neal Malik: feeling like it was a waste of time and they didn't get a chance to have me validate I didn't get I didn't get to validate why.

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Neal Malik: Their responses are so valuable why it was important, so always share the feedback with them, even if it's a quick summary via email or something you have to kind of make them feel like they've been heard so that was an early mistake, I made.

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Paulchris Okpala: Great Thank you.

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Paulchris Okpala: And then follow another list if someone say faculty wanted to begin, creating a more inclusive classroom where should they start.

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Neal Malik: I would say the one.

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Neal Malik: thing that sounded most.

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Neal Malik: Interesting at the one idea that was maybe shared that.

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Neal Malik: sort of jumped out and and where the person thought Oh, I like that idea that's probably where you'd want to start wherever.

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Neal Malik: most interesting to you, whatever is most interesting to you that might be the place where you begin and again if we even just make one small change it can sort of shift the entire.

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Neal Malik: Cultural the classroom the entire mood of the classroom and then it sort of slowly builds on itself and, over time, we can make small little adjustments and before we know it.

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Neal Malik: Where we have a very inclusive environment and again my disclaimer is i'm still working on it, there are areas that I am now realizing as I look back that I need to improve on.

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Paulchris Okpala: Thank you, thank you, thank you once again, I appreciate that, and then the audience i'm sure they might have.

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Paulchris Okpala: One or two questions to ask anybody.

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Paulchris Okpala: The floor is open for questions and.

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Paulchris Okpala: answer.

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Neal Malik: I was just so thorough, it was you know no questions.

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Neal Malik: Just so darn thorough Oh, my goodness.

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Paulchris Okpala: yeah I think we have one in the pharmacy.

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Paulchris Okpala: Okay, that wasn't it wasn't yes okay.

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Neal Malik: Thank you so much for the acknowledgments i'm seeing those as well and.

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Neal Malik: I appreciate you being here and, again, thank you to Dr Paula Thank you so much to the library for for putting this together.

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Neal Malik: couldn't have done it without everyone and again the culturally responsive teaching Community through issues X here at CES USB has been so helpful for helping me sort of take a deep dive into into this and really realize, where I could be improving, as a faculty.

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Paulchris Okpala: That was a question from Sally Neil.

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Paulchris Okpala: From the q&a so she asked was it hard to make your welcome in two levels, a da compliant.

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Neal Malik: yeah it's it's.

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Neal Malik: A little bit of a challenge only because I had this idea, this grand idea of what I want it to look like, but you know that's not that's not always inclusive it's.

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Neal Malik: So, making that making all of our materials really a da compliant it is so important, but I know that the library and are many resources on campus that have helped me with that.

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Neal Malik: And I know even built into some of our LM s systems they have Ada checkers so that's been really helpful as well, so I would say the execution part not so challenging it's more of like can I get my lofty ideas onto paper but in a way that's inclusive.

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Paulchris Okpala: And i'm Dr Malik you don't mind sharing these slides right.

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Neal Malik: Oh, not at all, and what I realized in fact was after I had stopped recording the video I didn't I never showed my references slide and I know that others have found

that very helpful So yes, I will be happy to share this and you'll have access to the references slide as well.

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Okay.

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Paulchris Okpala: where's the open for.

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Paulchris Okpala: q&a so feel free to ask.

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Neal Malik: Again, just so darn thorough I guess.

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Neal Malik: But I do appreciate the questions and again the acknowledgement, thank you.

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Paulchris Okpala: Alright, so I don't think we have a question or comment.

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Paulchris Okpala: Okay, other ones that something just giving.

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See.

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Paulchris Okpala: One thing I think you asked question, I can I want to see that.

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Neal Malik: Oh, I see his question, a couple of you want me to a.

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Neal Malik: Dr van word said he finds that needs to be careful to make sure that students know when a faculty serious about cheating policy it's preventive to be very clear about cheating policy and so just comments with regards to that.

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Neal Malik: yeah you know there, there is that sort of fine line where we need to be clear about potential consequences.

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Neal Malik: What happens with a student plagiarizes cheats etc and that's important to relay and a syllabus because that's our contract with the students right, we have to reflect those things.

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Neal Malik: But I think we could modify the tone of it, we can be clear, but we don't have to be necessarily threatening throughout that verbiage, we can be.

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Neal Malik: sort of softer but assertive that's that's what I would say it doesn't need to just be thread after thread after threat but rather clear assertive and yet a little bit maybe softer in that tone.

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Neal Malik: and

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Neal Malik: I see a doctor.

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Neal Malik: I tell them how embarrassing, it will be if they're caught cheating for both of us yeah I love that you could sort of make it a little bit of a joke, but at the same time relay that you are serious and that it would be embarrassing and that these would be the consequences yeah.

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Paulchris Okpala: Okay, ladies and gentlemen.

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Paulchris Okpala: Let me read it out Okay, but.

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Neal Malik: we're So what are some ways to implement cultural culturally responsive teaching into a homework assignment or research project yeah I gave sort of the example of where we can.

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Neal Malik: skew the assignment slightly so that may be a question or the topic sort of relates to culture in some way or relates to something that the students experienced in their own lives.

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Neal Malik: I know that one of my colleagues actually had a wonderful example of where they were talking about.

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Neal Malik: Fishing up fishery bow fishing and fisheries and overfishing and its impact on the environment and they asked the students to think about a time when they were purchasing seafood and how that how did they make that decision, so allowing the students to kind of.

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Neal Malik: relay what's discussed in the classroom to what they experienced in their own lives and that sort of brings out that cultural component.

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Neal Malik: So what, in your experience have you noticed about this particular issue explain how does that relate to the concepts we've discussed in class explain something like that.

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Neal Malik: you're most welcome Jonathan.

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Paulchris Okpala: Okay let's take one more question, if not.



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Paulchris Okpala: All right, I don't think anyone is this.

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Paulchris Okpala: Okay, so once again thank you, Dr Malik for.

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Paulchris Okpala: for presenting this.

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Paulchris Okpala: topic is really very interesting I learned a lot, especially the examples you share the recommendations and.

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Paulchris Okpala: me they're all relevant, to be honest with you, I appreciate that those information from one slide to the next slide i'm sure that attendees are really a big line a lot from this presentation and I hope you're able to share like me like I said.

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Paulchris Okpala: These slides to anyone that would contact in the future.

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Neal Malik: are absolutely absolutely Thank you so much for inviting me to do this.

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Paulchris Okpala: and also thank you for addressing everyone's question and i'm not gonna forget that this was a joint initiative and I appreciate the Librarians appreciate robby.

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Paulchris Okpala: robby kriegler.

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Paulchris Okpala: Thank you so much, I appreciate your contributions from the one pushing through and making sure everything works so perfectly well appreciate, you and your team also appreciate.

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Paulchris Okpala: Being being color appreciate him as well, I appreciate it, I know in Tennessee right appreciate our things effort to ensure that we don't have any technical issue, so thank you so much for your hard work to bring this thing into reality.

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Paulchris Okpala: And for everyone here appreciate this is the first.

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Paulchris Okpala: faculty video showcase for the academic year we have additional for faculty that will be presenting and that will be in the spring of 2022.

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Paulchris Okpala: So you will be hearing from us i'm sure the first will be in bigger on February, March and April, so we tend to do one each month, starting from February, the cell format, the same.

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Paulchris Okpala: You know our styles and everything, so you receive that information as soon as we have that ready with the time and everything and I appreciate that you're.

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Paulchris Okpala: Participating is important that every faculty participate in these our ongoing workshops that we have in the Faculty development.

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Paulchris Okpala: And we have more of them coming in spring of 2022 so thank you so much for your time and for contributing to this event, I wish everyone a very wonderful day, thank you.

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Sastry Pantula: It well Chris.

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Paulchris Okpala: yeah I mean.

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Paulchris Okpala: yeah okay.

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Sastry Pantula: Sorry, I.

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Sastry Pantula: i'm not SAS the doula.

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Sastry Pantula: Actually, he last night he's he sent a message, and there were links and I had to another thing you know doctors appointment, so I just came I said, let me try before.

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Paulchris Okpala: No, no it's okay yeah we.

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Sastry Pantula: And I think I think there's the tail end of you know, the presentation.

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yeah.

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Sastry Pantula: I missed it yeah.

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Paulchris Okpala: yeah.

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Sastry Pantula: I thought you were laughing.

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Sastry Pantula: Keep up the great work man yeah.

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Sastry Pantula: yeah we're proud.

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Sastry Pantula: we're proud of you Okay, what you are doing.

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Paulchris Okpala: Thank you, thank you so.

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Sastry Pantula: yeah and.

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Sastry Pantula: So I guess the, the talk is over right.

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Paulchris Okpala: Yes, over.

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Sastry Pantula: Okay alright, so I better leave you to do.

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Sastry Pantula: Things like.