

THE CRT-L PROGRAM AT CCBC

Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning at CCBC

For fifteen years, since 2004, the Culturally Responsive Teaching and Training Program at CCBC has been augmenting participants' awareness, changing attitudes, adding to their knowledge of others, and strengthening their skills at interacting effectively in the field with clients, patients, customers, co-workers, colleagues, students and other citizens.

As the population of the United States grows and becomes ever more globalized and culturally diverse, many people find themselves interacting more and more with people who are quite different from them. It is sometimes a challenge to know what to say, what to do, or how to respond to folks who, like us, bring their unique culturally-based expectations to the encounter. This is true in the classroom and in other fields of endeavor, and given the global village we find ourselves living in now, it is quite true of life in general.

The CRT Program at CCBC is unique among community colleges, 4-year colleges, and universities. It trains faculty and others by engaging them in self-reflective processes that allow them to convey to others—students, for example—the need for self-reflection, for self-awareness, for mindful engagement in life's ever-changing cultural contexts. The CRT Program at CCBC emphasizes that because we human beings are the most social of animals, wherever human beings are, culture is always present. Our perceptions, interpretations, beliefs, and even our knowledge are culturally framed by our experiences in unique social networks of meaning making.

More than 1,500 educators have encountered the CRT Program concepts through professional workshops, presentations, trainings, and conferences. Also, in undergraduate classes at CCBC, since 2003, more than 2,000 CCBC students have studied the modules of the CRT Program. Scores of other colleges and universities from coast to coast have invited CRT trainers to work with their faculty, staff and student communities.

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