

## **Culturally Responsive Teaching: What It Is, Why It Matters, and How You Can Do It!**

with Debi Rutledge and Dr. Robert Martin

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Culturally responsive teaching uses students' own customs, characteristics, experiences, and perspectives as tools for better classroom instruction. This allows more students of all backgrounds to see themselves and their communities as belonging in academic spaces. Join Debi Rutledge and Dr. Robert Martin for a discussion of why this is so crucial and how you can start applying culturally responsive teaching methods to your course today!

1. Debi and Robert, thank you both so much for joining us today! Before we dive in, I'd love to give our audience a little bit of context. Could you tell us a bit about your institution and your role in it?
2. For folks in our audience who may be encountering this idea for the first time, could you explain for us, what IS culturally responsive teaching?
3. So we know the “what,” now let's dive into the “why”! Why does culturally responsive teaching matter? What kind of difference can it make for students?
4. What advice would you give instructors who are hoping to incorporate culturally responsive teaching into their own courses, especially for those who may be doing this for the first time?
5. Do you have any examples of ways you might use technology to support teaching in a culturally responsive way?

A few of the resources mentioned in our conversation:

- [Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man](#)
- [White Fragility](#)
- [Why Are All The Black Kids Sitting Together In The Cafeteria?](#)
- [Relationship Rich Education: How Human Connections Drive Success in College](#)