# **Diversity & Inclusion**

## Touching Minds and Hearts through the Power of Film

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The heightened interracial tensions within US society and across the world are painful reminders that we



cannot escape the complexities of our time. In response to the critical need for institutions of higher learning to create inclusive educational environments, Crossing Borders Education (CBE) has created a wide variety of resources to inspire students, faculty and staff to engage constructively with *Diversity & Inclusion* topics and foster a *Culture of Dialogue*.

Our three feature films (*Crossing Borders, The Dialogue, American Textures*), more than 50 short videos and various online toolkits are carefully crafted to enhance interactive learning moments, deepen constructive dialogue and improve campus climate. All CBE resources are designed flexible and can be easily adapted to the specific needs of diverse institutions.

Positive reactions at different institutions affirm that *American Textures* and other CBE resources are powerful—and effective.

– American Council on Education

In the short video *The Power of Diversity* below, professionals from different institutions speak out as powerful Diversity & Inclusion Voices.

The Power of Diversity (2 min)



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### **Receive Creative Support**

Crossing Borders Education created films, videos and toolkits to help you to:

- **Inspire diverse students** to engage constructively with Diversity & Inclusion issues.
- **Provide busy colleagues** with practical tools to help them become active D&I allies.
- Enable campus leadership to support expanding D&I efforts across campus.

### **Strengthen Your Campus Impact**

Crossing Borders Education created a wide range of resources to support you to:

- Sustain constructive communication on campus through intercultural and interracial dialogues.
- **Help overcome separation** between students of different ethnic, racial, national, cultural and socio-economic backgrounds.
- **Inspire D&I activities** (curricular and co-curricular) where students can address diversity issues in safe and constructive ways.

The dialogue and honesty in American Textures compels viewers to be transparent, self-reflective and critically thinking citizens about racial issues agitating Americans. The communications that happened as a result were transformative for three UNG campuses and the accompanying diversity resources permit a more robust dialogue on race in the future.

- Sheila Caldwell, Chief Diversity Officer, University of North Georgia

To learn more about the variety of tools we created to support your work visit our Diversity Site Map.

### **Initiate Inspiring Events**

A first effective step to reach the hearts and minds of your students and colleagues is to create powerful cross-departmental events with our feature length film American Textures, which applies intercultural communication skills and conflict mediation to interracial dialogue. The film and accompanying tools model healing interactions, teach communication skills and set the tone for constructive dialogue. View the short trailer below.

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American Textures is a powerful and compelling documentary that reveals the importance of more honest discourse about race in America. The lives and stories of the young people masterfully presented in this film offer both hope and impetus for more of us to join the conversation.

- Bryan Stevenson, Founder, Equal Justice Institute

Contact us to initiate a powerful dialogue event with American Textures at your campus. Accompanying the film we have created many powerful and creative tools, helping you to inspire colleagues and students to engage openly around Diversity & Inclusion topics.

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