

DEPARTMENT OF EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION

Culturally Competent Special Education: How do I know when I see it and what I am supposed to see?

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Cultural competence and related topics like culturally responsive teaching are seemingly well known to educators, but is that really the case? Developing cultural competence is not easy. What does it mean to be culturally competent and how do teacher educators know culturally competent teacher candidates when they see them? These lingering questions remain relevant, even today, in one of the most diverse and culturally aware periods in our history. Answering these questions is the current challenge.

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