A FRAMEWORK FOR CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE & SUSTAINING PEDAGOGY (CRSP)





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Domain Explanation

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- Develop awareness about who is carrying the cognitive load





Domain #2: Community Building

Domain Explanation Rooted in this awareness, we learn to build community and nurture academic mindsets so that students are engaging in productive struggle and supporting one another through challenging tasks.

- Build a culture of trust and belonging
- Build a culture of thinking



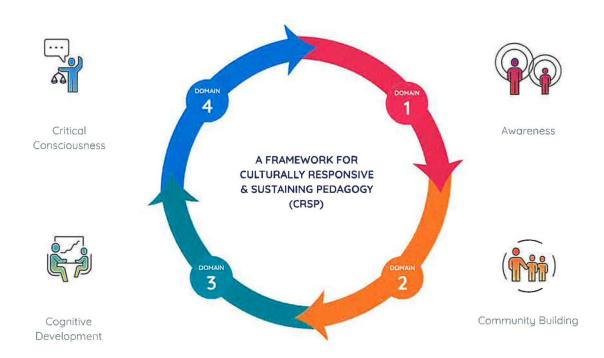


Domain #3: Cognitive Development

Domain Explanation

Leveraging relationships, a mindset around equity, and learning science to disrupt a culture of low expectations & shift the cognitive load to students by developing their information processing skills.

- Leverage students' identities and interests to make learning meaningful
- Scaffold and develop students' thinking skills
- Use data and assessment to support students to own their learning journeys





Domain #4: Critical Consciousness

Domain Explanation

Supporting students to understand how cognitive skills empower them to move from critical reflection to critical motivation to critical action so they can transform their lives, communities, and society

- Engage students in critical reflection
- Nurture critical motivation
- Inspire critical action





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Key Practices

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