



IMMIGRANT COMPLEXITY

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1.1 Culture Concept

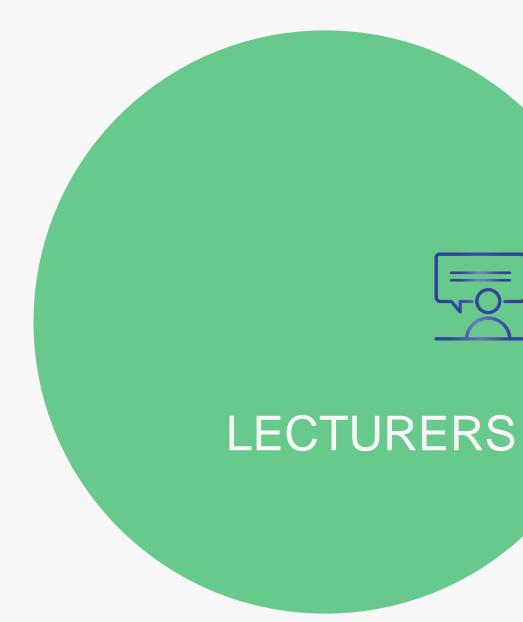
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DEMONSTRATING RESPECT, UNDERSTANDING & AVOIDING STEREOTYPING

PRACTICE



Specify some cultures' (such as: Muslims, Syrians, Chinese, etc.) typical behaviors and values about

Education

Career

Gender etc.





Counsellors who understand the cultural backgrounds and expectations of counselees are able to deliver more efficient support

It is even more important for counsellors to understand and show respect for counselees' experiences, and to address their concerns, worries, and hopes for their new life.







Challenge of Learning About Different Cultures

is avoiding stereotypes.

• Stereotyping is when people make exaggerated assumptions about categories of identity (culture, race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, etc.) that are based on only a few representatives of

the group





Generalization vs. Stereotyping

Cultural Generalization The tendency of a majority of people in a cultural group to hold certain values and beliefs, and to engage in certain patterns of behavior

Cultural Stereotype The application of a generalization to every person in a cultural group; or, generalizing based on only a few people in a group



"Are you sure he'a a plumber? I can't see his butt-crack"





Characteristics of

Stereotypes	Cultural Generalizations
Often lie below the level of consciousness	Broad characterizations
A way of categorizing	Useful as a general guide to anticipating and discussing cultural reactions, attitudes, and behaviors in a neutral way
The mental organization of your experience of others	
Simplistic	Helpful in analyzing cultural patterns
Learned from parents, relatives, and friends	Will never apply to everyone in a culture because individual personalities and backgrounds always play a role in how people think and act
Learned from limited exposure or experience	
Learned through the media	Used as a shorthand way to make nonjudgmental cross-cultural comparisons, not to oversimplify or deny the complexity of social interaction
Can evolve out of fear	
Are problematic when we put people into the "wrong category"	Flexible and open to new information





Women are bad drivers



Vanina lckx



Maryeve Dufault



Danica Patrick





Muslims are terrorists



Shirin Ebadi Nobel Peace Prize - 2003



Muhammad Yunus Nobel Peace Prize - 2006



Tevekkül Kerman Nobel Peace Prize - 2011





PRACTICE

? See the document «culture and worldviews spectrum»





Thank you for the Attention. Questions?

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