



CULTURAL AWARENESS WORKSHOPS

As the largest public university to host international students, Arizona State University values its diverse student population and seeks to promote positive interaction and effective communication between faculty, staff and students. Cultural Awareness Workshops can help ASU faculty and staff successfully engage people from ethnically and linguistically diverse backgrounds in an increasingly globalized world.

WORKSHOP OFFERINGS

Workshops are offered free of charge and are customizable to a department's specific needs

Building Intercultural Competence: Participants will identify and recognize their own worldviews and understand how these may contrast with others' cultural perspectives. Participants also will receive tools for clearer communication with colleagues in professional and academic workplaces, understanding that highly successful organizations seek out and promote capable leaders who demonstrate cultural intelligence (CQ). Interactive activities will provide participants opportunities for critical reflection to become more empathetic and effective in their daily practices.

Target Audience: Faculty, staff, student staff

Time Frame: Three options: choose from 60, 90, or 120 minutes (longer workshops include more activities)

Communicating with Diverse Audiences: Interacting with a global audience asks us to extend empathy and implement effective communication strategies. This workshop will provide suggestions for listening to and speaking with students whose first language is not English, and maintaining productive communication with international students throughout the semester.

Target Audience: Faculty, staff, student staff

Time Frame: 60 minutes

Understanding and Teaching International Students: In welcoming all students, faculty can respect backgrounds by accepting and integrating differences as a healthy first step toward creating intercultural harmony. Faculty then can help students acculturate to their classroom norms for optimal success. Most importantly, getting to know a student individually will help faculty understand specific personal or academic needs. This workshop aims to identify general cultural or academic variations international students may bring to the classroom and offer faculty suggestions to better internationalize classrooms, acknowledging that incorporating tools for an global community inevitably honors all students.

Target Audience: Faculty

Time Frame: Choose between 60 and 90 minutes (longer workshops include more activities and discussion)

Global Advocacy Certificate Program: Become Global Advocates by cultivating a globally-minded campus for international students and scholars. By attending a series of workshops in an academic year, participants will broaden their awareness of cross-cultural topics and learn specific strategies for supporting international students and scholars in the classroom and workplace.

Target Audience: Faculty and Staff

Learn More: [ASUinternationaleducator.eventbrite.com](https://www.asuinternationaleducator.eventbrite.com)

ABOUT THE TRAINER

Renee Klug is Arizona State University's first Senior University International Educator. Her mission in this role is to work closely with ASU faculty and staff to help facilitate cross-cultural understanding and produce more successful international student graduates by providing strategic training, focused on students' cultural backgrounds and academic needs. Prior to this appointment, for seventeen years Renee taught English and ESL throughout the U.S. and overseas. Her expertise is in building academically rigorous curricula while fostering supportive classroom environments. She specializes in working with students from Asia, the Middle East, and India. Her doctoral research focuses on intercultural competence.

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