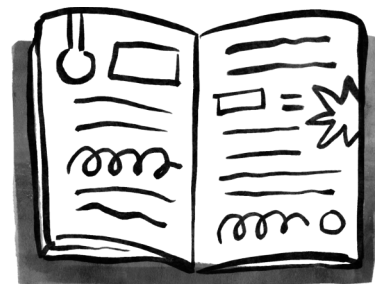


3 STEPS TO BRING ETHNIC STUDIES INTO YOUR CLASSROOM

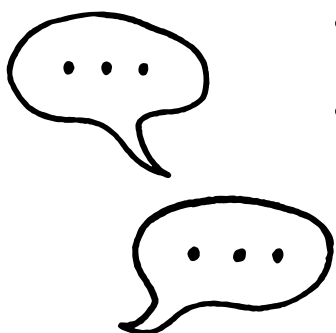
STEP 1: EXAMINE YOUR CURRICULUM

- Review your current lesson plans and resources. Whose stories are included? Whose voices are missing?
- Identify opportunities to incorporate diverse perspectives. For example, in history lessons, include narratives from Indigenous, Black, Asian American, and Latinx communities.
- Evaluate the language and framing used in your materials. Are communities portrayed with agency and resilience, or just struggle?



Action Item: Choose one upcoming lesson and revise it to include a perspective that is often overlooked.

STEP 2: BUILD COMMUNITY-CENTERED LEARNING

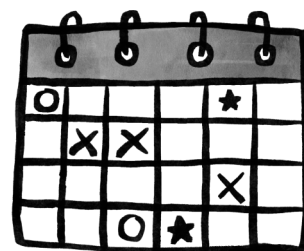


- Foster a classroom environment where students feel seen and heard. Begin with discussions on identity and belonging.
- Incorporate local histories and stories from your students' communities with primary sources like oral histories, art, and music.

Action Item: Identify a local historical event or cultural tradition that connects to your lesson and bring it into your classroom discussion.

STEP 3: TAKE ACTION BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

- Connect students with real-world experiences by partnering with local organizations, inviting guest speakers, and organizing field trips to cultural or historical sites.
- Encourage students to create projects that reflect their identities and experiences, such as storytelling, digital media, or community-based research.



Action Item: Plan a class project that allows students to contribute to their community, such as a mural, podcast, or zine.

ETHNIC STUDIES INTEGRATION WORKSHEET

Ethnic Studies is about centering the stories and voices of marginalized communities. It helps students connect learning to their identities, lived experiences, and social justice. If you're looking to integrate Ethnic Studies into your classroom, here are three essential steps to get started.

Curriculum Check <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is one lesson you currently teach that could be expanded with diverse perspectives?• What resources do you need to make this change?	
Community Connection <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What local stories, figures, or events can you integrate into your teaching?• How can you make learning more student-centered?	
Action Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is one project or activity that encourages students to engage with their communities?• What support do you need to implement this project?	