

Teaching about Contested International Issues: An Introduction to Brown University's Choices Program

Singapore Draft agenda as of April 5, 2019

Monday, April 29, 2019

- 8:00 Coffee and Informal Conversation
- 8:30 Welcome, Introductions and Overview of the Program
- 8:45 Introduction to the Choices Program: Content Creation and Approach for Deliberative Dialogue
- 9:30 Break
- 9:45 Exploring the Choices Program's Current Issues Series: Confronting Genocide: Never Again? and Climate Change and Questions of Justice Student readings Lessons
- 12:00 Lunch Provided
- 1:00 **The Options Role Play: Building Students' Critical Thinking and Analysis Skills** Rationale and prep Conduct and debrief Modify and assess Making it work in diverse classroom
- 2:00 Break

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

- 8:00 Coffee and Informal Discussion
- 8:30 Debrief from Role Play Yesterday
- 9:00 **The Choices Program's History Turning Points Units** Choices approach for creating Historical Turning Points units Lessons from *Colonization and Independence in Africa* Making the most of the case studies in *Colonization and Independence in Africa*
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 *Freedom Now: The Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi* Unit Lessons Perspectives Activities What is the relevance today?
- 12:00 Lunch provided
- 1:00 Other Choices Historical Units and Their Primary Source Documents
- 1:45 Break
- 2:00 Free Resources on the Choices Website
- 2:15 **High Quality History and Social Studies Curriculum** An exploration of other high-quality material for the History and Social Studies classroom
- 2:45 Evaluation and Wrap Up
- 3:00 End of Program

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