DESCRIPTION

This wide-ranging survey of issues in intercultural language teaching and learning covers everything from core concepts to program evaluation, and advocates a fluid, responsive approach to teaching language that reflects its central role in fostering intercultural understanding.

- Includes coverage of theoretical issues defining language, culture, and communication, as well as practice-driven issues such as classroom interactions, technologies, programs, and language assessment
- Examines systematically the components of language teaching: language itself, meaning, culture, learning, communicating, and assessments, and puts them in social and cultural context
- Features numerous examples throughout, drawn from various languages, international contexts, and frameworks
- Incorporates a decade of in-depth research and detailed documentation from the authors’ collaborative work with practicing teachers
- Provides a much-needed addition to the sparse literature on intercultural aspects of language education
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