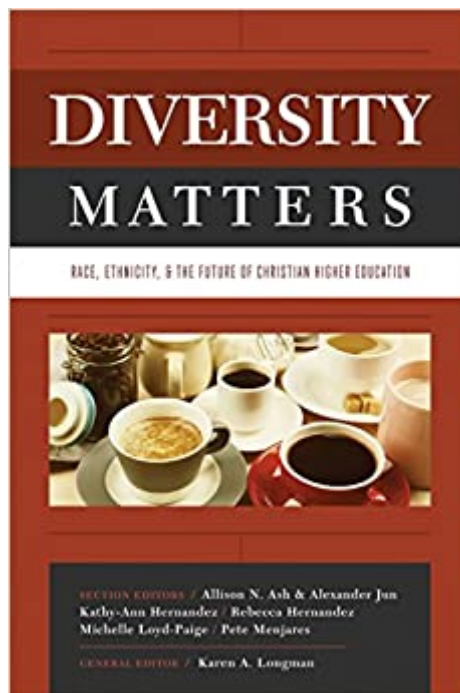




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Diversity Matters: Race, Ethnicity, And The Future Of Christian Higher Education



Synopsis

Today, no institution can ignore the need for deep conversations about race and ethnicity. But colleges and universities face a unique set of challenges as they explore these topics. Diversity Matters offers leaders a roadmap as they think through how their campuses can be hospitable environments for diversity.

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•NOEL CASTELLANOS, President, Christian Community Development Association

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I read this book cover to cover, and recommend it to all who work in Higher Education and care about diversity in the academe. Each section benefits from the passion of section editors and chapter authors who’ve invested heart, soul, and mind into these issues. I particularly loved Section Two: *Why We Stayed*, which highlighted the stories of long-term student development professionals and scholars from diverse backgrounds who stayed engaged despite many obstacles. These men and women are true role models for resilience and renewed my hope in the future of Christian Higher Education. Read this with a group of colleagues! It’s ideal as a launch pad for necessary conversations about diversity.

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