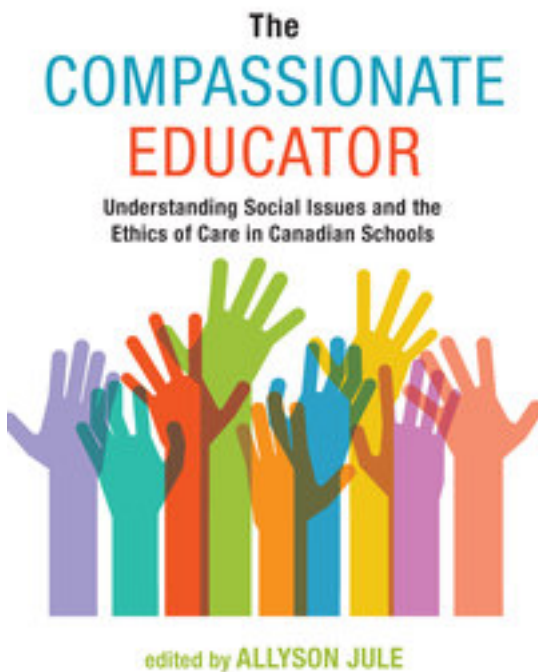


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In this edited collection, respected professor and scholar Allyson Jule brings together leading academics to discuss the evolution of student diversity in contemporary Canadian classrooms. This book explores a wide range of student complexities, including matters such as mental health, Indigenous education, queer education, youth radicalization and extremism, disability, religious practice, ESL, and refugee student support. This book equips teachers with the foundation needed to build a classroom that unpacks the social fabric of individual student and classroom populations from a place of deep understanding and compassion. Using a student-centered methodology, readers learn how to navigate difficult situations in the classroom with empathy and consider the distinct lived experiences that inform students' actions in school. Encouraging critical reflection and a deeper understanding of diversity, this insightful and applicable resource is ideal for students in teacher education programs and for practicing educators across Canada. **\*\*FEATURES\*\***

- situates international topics in education, including race, gender, and culture, in a Canadian context
- includes learning objectives, glossaries, and critical thinking questions within each chapter
- utilizes both theoretical and research-based approaches to offer a balanced examination of the modern challenges teachers face

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### Reviews

"Compassion in this text moves beyond an emotional response to a deeply reflective act of engagement. This book is essential for educators, and a good read for anyone who works with, lives with, or is entranced by the presence and actions of others."

— Excerpted from Belcher, Christina (2020) "Book Review: Jule, A. (2019). The compassionate educator: Understanding social issues and the ethics of care in Canadian schools. Toronto, ON: Canadian Scholars. *International Christian Community of Teacher Educators Journal*: Vol. 15 : Iss. 1 , Article 8.

—Christina Belcher, Ph.D., OCT, Professor and Chair, Department of Education, Redeemer University  
"This thought-provoking book is a must-read for every educator, beginning or experienced. Clearly articulating the importance of compassion, while at the same time pushing us to accept that respect, affection, and kindness are not enough to significantly change the inequities that exist in the landscape of schools, the chapters challenge us to question and examine curriculum and pedagogy in a way that shines a light into the complexities of today's classrooms. From poverty to anti-racist education, we are invited to interrogate our own practices and bring about a change that might allow for all learners to flourish."

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