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**One thing I am taking with me...**

New knowledge of colleagues and our desire for a more inclusive, respectful community at Southwestern University.

Strengthened skills in planning, starting, and facilitating dialogues.

Everyone has experienced some form of discrimination and talking about this can be a powerful connection for people.

The openness, honesty and passion for social justice that everyone here shared.

The basics of facilitating a construction [constructive?] conversation/dialogue. Understanding what is needed in a constructive dialogue. Understanding that becoming a “good” facilitator takes time and practice. Feeling more secure about dialogues and dialogue practices.

The concept of listening with resilience, with mutual understanding as a goal.

Taking the first risk paves the way for others, deepening the honest sharing.

Tools that will help engage participants in exploring all aspects of life. Ideas on promoting constructive conversation.

**A question I will continue to engage...**

What are the ramifications of what I am asking/saying, and how can I make sure that my question/statement is not construed as anything other than what I intend?

How can I continue to evolve my perspectives and skills to keep issues like diversity passionate and alive in my life?

What can I do to advance diversity and social justice at SU?

I will continue to question the ways I can spread interest in dialogues at SU and I know that I will ultimately find a way to spread interest and start constructive conversation practices.

What will I do next? How will I get there?

How can I present myself to others so that they know I am interested in learning from them?

How can I make the world better for humankind?

How to reach those people not in the choir.

What kind of facilitator will I be?