DIVERSITY & VISUAL CULTURE WALK

GROUPING: In groups of six, walk from the Wagner Building to the outdoor seating behind the Patterson Building. Form groups in which you do not know any of the members of that group.

INTRODUCTIONS: Introduce yourself to your group and learn the names of the five others in your group.

WALK & TALK: Each share a particular image, film, artwork, advertisement, or other visual culture form that is of interest to you. As you walk, you can show it on your mobile device or describe. Discuss how the selected visual culture provides a counter-narrative, challenges, or promotes the “White Lies: A Top Ten List” (see other side of this paper).

WALK & OBSERVE: Also, as you walk notice and, if possible, take photos of visual culture (e.g., posters, architecture, advertisement, clothing, spaces, places) and consider the intended or assumed audience for which the visual culture exists.

REACH DESTINATION BY 1:40 PM: There are tables and benches outside at our destination on the opposite side of the Patterson Building from Curtin Road. As a group of six members write responses to the three areas below and be ready to give a five-minute presentation of highlights from your diversity and visual culture walk to include:

1. Names of each person in the group.

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2. Responses to how the selected visual culture provides a counter-narrative, challenges, or promotes the “White Lies: A Top Ten List.”

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3. Observations of visual culture in relation to audience and diversity.
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WHITE LIES
A “Top Ten” List

1. Race doesn’t matter to me!
2. We’re liberals, so we can’t be racist!
3. I did it all on my own.
4. It’s unfair to bring racism up in a discussion about immigration!
5. As long as no one consciously intends to be racist, that’s what really matters!
6. To be fair, we should be talking about racism against whites, too.
7. I hate the KKK. I admire MLK. I’m kind to non-whites I meet. So I can’t be racist!
8. Racism used to be just incredibly awful! It’s so great that’s all been fixed nowadays.
9. Whites are the only group left that it’s still okay to criticize!
10. Our ancestors got here after slavery. So racism has nothing to do with us!

If I’m also lying to myself, then it’s not a real lie, right?

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