Dr. Sengstock’s most recent book, entitled, *Voices of Diversity* (Springer, 2009) focuses on the experiences of adults who grew up in culturally diverse families. Most had parents who were from different races, nationalities, or religions. A few were multi-cultural for other reasons, such as adoption or their own migration to other cultures as children. This lecture will focus on the problems which the respondents recalled from their childhood, as well as the manner in which their parents handled the situations. In general, families which spoke openly about their cultural and/or racial differences were characterized by more satisfactory relations than those in which secrecy characterized their differences. Examples of the long-term impact of these patterns will be discussed.

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