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The National Academies Committee on the Underrepresentation of WOC in Technology

WORKSHOP #3, Day 2

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Welcome

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Aims

1. To recognize our team and summarize the committee study task

2. To stimulate our collective thinking about how we may transform the narrative discourse about women of color in tech

Our Team

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Our Task

The National Academies Committee on the Underrepresentation of WOC in Tech: Study Task Summary

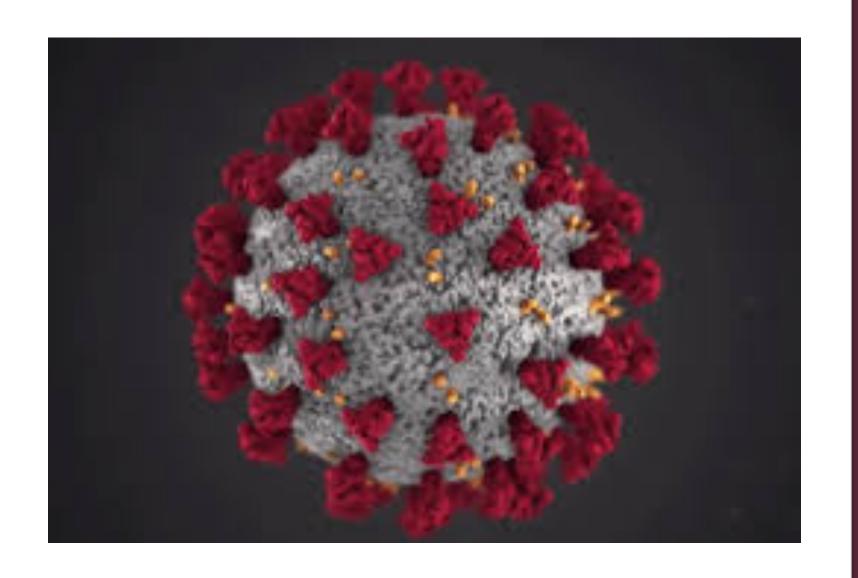
To collect a variety of forms of "evidence" to examine the strategies that improve the representation and success of women of color in technology.

Develop and broadly disseminate a consensus report that is informed by four regional workshops and other information gathered.

The Neuroscience of Storytelling



What is the Power of Now?





Does Language Matter?

Language Matters



Language Matters

Minority

Microaggressions

Underrepresentation

- Unconscious Bias
- Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion
 Intersectionality

• Diversity & Inclusion

Discrimination

- Organizational Culture & Climate
- Racism

- The Science of Broadening Participation
- Sexism
- Gendered Racism

Women of Color

are...women!

Language Matters...

Professional women shoulder at least 3 x the amount of responsibility in their families (e.g. U.N. 2018; Salum, 2018; Rao, 2019)

• Childcare, elder care, transportation, cleaning, cooking

Cardiovascular diseases: the #1 cause of death among women (American Heart Association, 2019); associated with chronic stress and obesity.

Depression: women 2 x more likely than men to experience depression (CDC, 2018)

Language Matters

Intellectual Capital

- Knowledge
- Expertise
- Creativity
- Emotional Intelligence

Cultural Wealth

- Cultural knowledge, skills, abilities, values, and contacts
- Spirituality
- Various forms of capital nurtured through cultural wealth include aspirational, navigational, social, linguistic, familial and resistant capital (Yasso, 2006)



Serving as First lady of the United States has been the greatest honor of my life....

I understood already, that I would be measured by a different yardstick.

As the only African American first lady to set foot in the White House,

I was other, almost by default.

If there was a presumed grace assigned to my white predecessors, I knew it was not likely to be the same for me.

I learned from the campaign stumbles that I had to be better, faster, smarter, and stronger than ever.

-Michelle Obama, Esq. (2018)

Welcome

Let's Go!