

## University of Washington College of the Environment Academic Leads **Pod Agreement**

This agreement is among the academic leadership in the College of the Environment. Individual members of our pod are working to schedule meetings with other UW Pods including:

- **Quaternary Research Center**
- Quaternary Research Center Pod 2
- UW ESS Grad Students and Postdoc Pod
- Young Petrology and Geochemistry Pod [led by UW's Cailey Condit, members from other universities.]

## in order to

- Learn from other Pods about their experiences, critical analyses, and strategic priorities
- Foster ongoing discussion on progress towards action plans, potentially including coordination with other **URGE Pods.**

## We are committed to URGE's primary objectives:

- 1. Deepen the community's knowledge of the effects of racism on the participation and retention of black, brown, and indigenous people in Geoscience
- 2. Use the existing literature, expert opinion, and personal experiences to develop anti-racist policies and strategies
- 3. Share, discuss, and modify anti-racist policies and strategies within a dynamic community network and on a national stage.

## We are committed to our Pod's objectives:

- 1. To be open and transparent about what we as an academic leadership Pod are seeking to do and why we have identified specific goals.
- 2. Fully engage in the URGE curriculum to refine and deepen our individual and collective goals and to prioritize strategies. To engage with the curriculum through introspection and critical, systemic analysis.
- 3. Reaching out across the College to other pods to learn from them, to understand their priorities for action and to facilitate collaborations and alliances that increase the likelihood of anti-racist action plans and policies.

We are committed to pursuing these objectives, individually and as an organization.

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