



# URGE

## Unlearning Racism in Geoscience

### URGE Pod Agreement for Colgate University

This agreement is between the Colgate-Ithaca College URGE pod and Krista Ingram, Director of the Division of Natural Sciences & Mathematics at Colgate University. Our Unlearning Racism in Geoscience (URGE; [www.urgeoscience.org](http://www.urgeoscience.org)) pod has the following meetings scheduled with the University/Organization Leadership:

- Meeting 1 - Introduction to URGE and Discussion of Pod Goals - Feb 26, 2021
  - Krista Ingram, Director of the Division of Natural Sciences & Mathematics, Colgate University
- Meeting 2 - Invitation for leadership to attend a regular pod meeting - TBD
- Meeting 3 - Follow-Up Discussion of Pod Proposal and Actions - TBD (early May)

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<sup>1</sup>
2. Use the existing literature, expert opinion, and personal experiences to develop anti-racist policies and strategies<sup>2,3</sup>
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. Discuss and assess the racial justice, equity, and inclusivity of our organization.
2. Develop an anti-racism Action Plan with actions specific to issues at University/Organization including methods for measuring and reporting progress.

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

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Paul Harnik  
Pod Leader(s)

*Date*  
2/12/21  
Date

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Krista Ingram  
Uni./Org. Leadership

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Pod Members: Paul Harnik, Karen Harpp, Alison Koleszar, Amy Leventer, Joe Levy, Mike Loranty, Chris Sinton, Anna Talucci

<sup>1</sup>R. E. Bernard, E. H. G. Cooperdock, No progress on diversity in 40 years. Nature Publishing Group. 11, 1–5 (2018).

<sup>2</sup><https://notimeforsilence.org/>

<sup>3</sup><https://www.change.org/p/geoscientists-call-for-a-robust-anti-racism-plan-for-the-geosciences>