



## URGE Pod Agreement for Colorado State University Geosciences

This agreement is between CSU Geosciences URGE Pod and Warner College and Department of Geosciences leadership at Colorado State University. Our Unlearning Racism in Geoscience (URGE; <u>www.urgeoscience.org</u>) pod has the following meetings scheduled with the University/Organization Leadership:

- Meeting 1 Introduction to URGE and Discussion of Pod Goals March 26, 2021, 12-1 pm
  - Dr. Rick Aster Department Head, Geosciences
  - Dr. Rickey Frierson Director of Diversity & Inclusion, Warner College of Natural Resources
- Meeting 2 Follow-Up Discussion of Pod Proposal and Actions TBD

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 the CSU Geosciences Dept.
- 2. Develop an anti-racism Action Plan with actions specific to issues in the CSU Geosciences Dept. including methods for measuring and reporting progress.

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

Pod Leader(s)

Signature

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Uni./Org. Leadership Date

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

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>https://notimeforsilence.org/</u>

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