



URGE Pod Agreement for University/Organization - Example Deliverable

This agreement is between Basin Tectonics Group at TAMU and Department Head Julie Newman at Texas A&M University Department of Geology and Geophysics. 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 Date/Time
 Dr. Julie Newman, Department Head
- Meeting 2 Invitation for leadership to attend a regular pod meeting -
 - Dr. Newman is in a separate pod and will attend regular meetings with her group.
- Meeting 3 Follow-Up Discussion of Pod Proposal and Actions Date/Time or TBD
 - Dr. Newman has agreed to meet with our pod at the end of Session 8 to go over ideas generated in this pod.

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 Geoscience¹
- 2. Use the existing literature, expert opinion, and personal experiences to develop antiracist policies and strategies^{2,3}
- 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.

Signature	Date	Signature	Date
Nicholas Perez_	Feb. 10, 2021_	_Julie Newman	Feb 10, 2021
Pod Leader(s)	Date	Uni./Org. Leadership	Date

Pod Members: Rachel Schroeder, Payton McCain, Jessica McKay, Danielle Schimmenti, Ali Snell, Drew Scherer, Claire Martin, Emily White, Kashauna Mason, Matthew Dorsey

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

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

³ https://www.change.org/p/geoscientists-call-for-a-robust-anti-racisim-plan-for-the-geosciences