

Broadening Participation in the Classroom: A Discussion with NCWIT National Educator Award Recipients

NCWIT and Infosys Foundation USA invite you to join us for a panel discussion with National Aspirations in Computing Educator Award recipients, who support the computing-related passions of 9th-12th grade women, genderqueer, or non-binary students. Gain inspiration for the coming semester as you listen and engage with these exceptional educators. Panelists will discuss the value of promoting gender equity in computing and the tactics they have used to broaden the participation of students who are Black, Indigenous, or People of Color (BIPOC) in computing and technology. By the end of this session, you will be able to implement strategies to get other faculty and students interested in broadening the participation of girls, women, and other underrepresented populations in computing. This session was originally streamed live on December 8, 2021. Learn more about this webinar series at ncwit.org/BPCSEduWebinars.

YouTube Video Link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3u0XZgHPMs>

Inspired by Youth: A

Discussion With High School and College Students Who Build Local CS Communities

NCWIT and Infosys Foundation USA invite you to join a panel discussion with several 2021 NCWIT AspireIT Impact Award recipients. The AspireIT Impact Award honors 30 women, genderqueer, or non-binary individuals for their incredible work to ultimately encourage K-16 girls to contribute their unique perspectives and ideas to future innovations. Listen in as these award recipients discuss how they build and creatively offer hands-on learning opportunities in computing and career exploration, and how they bring together advocates and allies of various backgrounds through computing-related events and community groups. By the end of this session, you will be inspired and equipped to encourage and offer students with historically marginalized identities ways to partake in peer and near-peer mentorship, connect with other technical women, and to participate in local computing career pathways and opportunities. This session originally aired live on October 11, 2021. Learn more about this webinar series at ncwit.org/BPCSEduWebinars.

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Join Us

Lack of diversity is an issue that stretches across disciplines

and industries. Only by organizing and uniting our voices for change can we hope for systemic reform that fosters inclusivity for all.

NCWIT is a non-profit community of thousands of change leader organizations with the goal of increasing the influential and meaningful participation of girls and women from every community in the field of computing.

Computing permeates every aspect of our society. Yet, technological innovations are not developed by a population as diverse as its users.

Women hold the majority of all professional occupations, yet only a fraction of computing occupations. And, the gap is even wider when considering women of color.

As a society, we lose out on potential innovations when we do not have a diverse workforce fully participating in technology creation.

Because the idea you don't have is the voice you haven't heard. Inclusion changes what's possible.

Women are not broken; men are not the enemy. The enemy is culture. We have the research and tools, and know what to do, we just need to do it.

Unquestionably, the will for change exists, but turning awareness into outcomes requires strategies for action. That's why NCWIT is here. Let's change what's possible for women in tech, together.

Gender reform in the technology industry is not a "women's issue," it is a business issue that's also about men.

Everyone has a role to play, and NCWIT is there to help you

master the skills to lead change and reveal the potential in everyone.

Join the movement today at NCWIT.org/JoinUs.

Vimeo Video Link <https://vimeo.com/452262480>

2006 NCWIT Innovation and Diversity Town Hall, featuring U.S. Senator Barack Obama

NCWIT held its first-ever Innovation and Diversity Town Hall, co-sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF), at the National Academy of Sciences on May 17, 2006. Participants and speakers ranged from the federal government, industry, and think-tanks to non-profits and academia, and nearly all cited the lack of diversity in information technology (IT) as a major competitive and creative problem for our country.

At the NCWIT reception following the Town Hall, U.S. Senator Barack Obama (D-IL) cited the need to reverse “long historic discrimination in the area of gender” saying that locking women out of information technology is “like having one hand tied behind our competitive backs.”

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