Departmental/Institutional Inclusion: Cultivating Change

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Re-Imagining the Pipeline into a Ladder

• Every rung in the ladder represents a point at which future faculty can be championed to jump past the next transition, rather than just trained to completion.

• Design strategic interventions for every step of the ladder

• Let’s focus on making faculty jobs desirable, accessible and inclusive

http://cen.acs.org/articles/93/i33/Diversity-Academia-Solutions.html
## Demographics of Undergraduate Students in 2018

### Undergraduate Demographic Representation by Percentage, AY2017-18

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### % US Population

- URPOC: 34%

### % Enrolling in College

- URPOC: 36.7%

### % URPOC Undergrad Degree

- Chemistry: 25.3%
# Demographics of MS & PhD Students in 2018

## Graduate Demographic Representation by Percentage, AY2018

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Key Change Agents

- Faculty represent the fulcrum for change within the university/our fields
- Every single faculty member has the capacity to be part of the solution
- We are training the next generation of scientist.
Key Change Agents

• The crisis of underrepresentation

• By 2050, the US will be a majority minority nation

• Our aim is for our scientific workforce to reflect that shift in population

• How do we get there?
How do we address the Problem?

Aspire

- Clarity w.r.t. what you/department values
  - Understand what you want your culture to be
  - Line up your leadership actions with your target culture
  - Members of the “out-group” are often penalized by unwritten rules and lack of transparency.

- Quantitative decision making
- Top-down leadership
- Effective assessment
- Link to meritocratic culture
How do we address the Problem?

Internally Assess

- Clarity w.r.t. what you/department values

- Quantitative decision making
  - know your internal statistics
  - climate survey
  - utilize best “peer reviewed” practices

- Top-down leadership
- Effective assessment
- Link to meritocratic culture
How do we address the Problem?

Build for the Future

- Clarity w.r.t. what you/department values
- Quantitative decision making

- Top-down leadership
  - diversity management with actionable responsibilities

- Effective assessment
- Link to meritocratic culture
How do we address the Problem?

Act

- Clarity w.r.t. what you/department values
- Quantitative decision making
- Top-down leadership

- Effective assessment
  - plan → act → analyze → adjust

- Link to meritocratic culture
How do we address the Problem?

Wholesale Incorporation

- Clarity w.r.t. what you/department values
- Quantitative decision making
- Top-down leadership
- Effective assessment

- Link to meritocratic culture
  - link diversity and inclusion to management efforts
  - Make hiring, tenure, and promotion decisions based upon ability, results, and merit
Conclusion

• Demographic data frames where we are, where we failing, and where we are succeeding
  — In the OXIDE project, we believe that this requires a focus on the promotion from doctorates to the professoriate

• The numbers demonstrate that we need to systemic changes in the climate and representation at every level of academic education and research
  — In the OXIDE project, we believe that this requires intentional changes in policies and procedures as this workshop has been designed to inform and motivate

• At every level, leadership needs to take action to improve DEI climate and increase participation
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