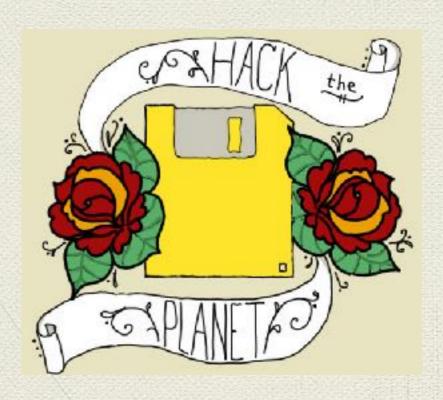
Community Hacking

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- Taking pictures of the board
- Making audio/video recordings
- Using a laptop or other device
- Eating or drinking
- Standing or stretching
- Leaving the room for a period
- Stimming
- Sitting or laying on the floor
- etc.

Defining Terms: Community

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: a unified body of individuals: such as
f: a body of persons or nations having a common history or common social,
economic, and political interests the international community
g: a body of persons of common and especially professional interests scattered
through a larger society the academic community the scientific community
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a: joint ownership or participation community of goods
b: common character: likeness community of interests
c: social activity: fellowship
d: a social state or condition The school encourages a sense of community in its
students.
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from Merriam-Webster

Defining Terms: Hack

1

b: *to cut or shape by or as if by crude or ruthless strokes* hacking out new election districts

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: to clear or make by or as if by cutting away vegetation hacked his way through the brush

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a: to write computer programs for enjoyment

b: to gain access to a computer illegally trying to hack into the network

2

: to be successful couldn't hack it in the world of professional sports

Inclusive Astronomy

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Nashville Recommendations

Statement of the problem

(full statement at link)

The demographics of our nation are changing, but professional Astronomy is not keeping pace. Only 2.1% of astronomers identify as Black or African-American and 3.2% as Hispanic, Latina/o, or of Spanish origin and extremely few are Native or indigenous (AIP, 2014). Disappointingly, these numbers for Physics and Astronomy have remained essentially constant between 2004 and 2012. This underrepresentation is most acute in leadership roles and on the key committees that shape the future of our field.

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Nashville Recommendations

Statement of the problem

Creating a more inclusive field is not just the right thing to do: The current lack of diversity and inclusivity within Astronomy harms our profession. Research shows that diversity leads to greater innovation, more creative thinking, and higher quality science. (see citations below)

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What are the specific recommendations?

(I'm so glad you asked)



Overview of Actions

- Removing Barriers to Access
- Creating Inclusive Environments
- Inclusion and Access to Power, Policy, and Leadership
- Establishing a Community of Inclusive Practice

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- Learning to Do Diversity Work: A Model for Continued Education of Program Organizers
- The Chi-Sci Scholars Program: Developing Community and Challenging Racially Inequitable Measures of Success at a Minority-Serving Institution on Chicago's Southside
- Common Challenges Faced by Women of Color in Physics, and Actions Faculty
 Can Take to Minimize Those Challenges
- Integrating Conversations about Equity in "Whose Knowledge Counts" into Science Teacher Education
- Teaching About Racial Equity In Introductory Physics Classes

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