



2020 Women & Technology Conference
Virtual
October 19, 2020

AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome & Kickoff**
Anne Barth, Executive Director, TechConnect West Virginia
- 9:05 – 10:00 a.m. **Introduction of Keynote Speaker:**
Dr. Sarah Armstrong Tucker, Chancellor
WV Higher Education Policy Commission
- Keynote Speaker:**
Dr. Nicole Pride, President
West Virginia State University
- 10:00 – 10:05 a.m. **Five-Minute Break**
- 10:05 – 11:00 a.m. **Research Perspectives: HBCU & Land Grant Institutions**
Join us for an insider's look at the triumphs, challenges and lessons learned working in research at West Virginia State University, which has dual roles as both a land-grant institution and a Historically Black College & University. Panelists will share perspectives on their career-building strategies.
- Dr. Padma Nimmakayala, Associate Professor of Research, Department of Biology
 - Dr. Barbara Liedl, Associate Professor, Department of Biology
 - Dr. Sean Collins, Associate Professor and Department Chair, Department of Biology
 - Dr. Ami Smith, Director, WV State University Extension Service
- Moderator: Dr. Ulises Toledo, Vice President for Research and Public Service, WV State University
- 11:00 – 11:05 a.m. **Five-Minute Break**
- 11:05 – 12:00 p.m. **Race Matters: A Conversation with Scholars**
There has been an awakening across a broader segment of society of systemic racism and the effects it has across all areas of society. Join us for a discussion with leading race and place scholars on how racism affects our daily lives in the long and short run and how, in particular, White people can become better allies.
- Dr. Lauri Andress, Assistant Professor, School of Public Health, West Virginia University
 - Ms. Stephanie House-Niamke, W.E.B. Du Bois Fellow & Doctoral Student in Sociology, West Virginia University
- Moderator: Dr. Melanie Page, Associate Vice President for Creative and Scholarly Activity, West Virginia University
- 12:00 p.m. **Conclusion & Closing Remarks**

Agenda is subject to change.