Women of Color Engineering Panel

Come network with female engineers of color and discover how they have paved ways for success in their work. All are invited! Light snacks will be provided!

Wednesday, March 15, 2023 | Student Center Ballroom B
3:00pm–4:00pm Panel Discussion
4:30pm Open Networking with Panelists

Esteemed Guest Panelists Include

Erika Bañuelos, Civil Engineering & Latino Studies
Lisa Nguyen, Civil & Transportation Engineering
Sade Odumuye, Mechanical & Architectural Engineering
Chin Isaac-Heslop, Software & Information Systems Engineering
Lisa Nguyen is a principal airport transportation planner for Denver International Airport. Lisa specializes in bridging the gap between urban design, planning, and transportation engineering. She graduated with a Bachelor's in Civil Engineering at the Colorado School of Mines and earned her Master's in Transportation Engineering at the University of Colorado Denver. Additionally, Lisa serves actively on boards and committees within ITE, WTS, and SASE.

Erika Bañuelos is a Senior Construction Manager for CRB. She has over 25 years experience specializing in aviation design and construction, Federal contracting, and biotech lab construction. Erika’s experience has led her to Federal level representation for the US government, expert witness for construction cases, and even international experience as a biotech lab rep for Fisher Scientific Latin America. Erika’s field of study includes both civil engineering and Latino Studies.

Chinyere "Chin" Isaac-Heslop is a Principle SW INF Engineer at Raytheon Technologies. She is a problem solver, publisher poet, 2 time WPL national championship winning rugby player, East High School Women's Rugby Coach, Dog mom, Cat dad, analogical reasoner, 2 time Mines graduate, and DSU PhD candidate who has worked in the aerospace industry for a decade. She was born and raised in London (UK) and, despite having moved to CO in 2001, is still adjusting to cultural norms including not being obviously anxious and having a sense of humor.

Sade Odumuye is an Energy Engineer at Group14 Engineering who is dedicated to increasing energy efficiency and reducing carbon emissions in the built environment. She specializes in building energy performance and HVAC operations. She enjoys data analysis and has expertise as a programmer in the SkySpark software platform, where she has executed development for fault–detection and diagnostics, dashboards and data integrations across numerous buildings and facility types, including large entities such as national laboratories, higher education campuses and airports.

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