

# WOMEN IN HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING



#### Today's discussion...

- Who is GPN-WHPC?
- WHPC Resources for Regional/Local Chapters
- Program Overview

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## **GPN-WHPC** Chapter

### WHPC's vision is to provide equality for women working in

## high performance computing

#### MISSION

To promote, build and leverage a diverse and inclusive HPC workforce by enabling and energising those in the HPC community to increase the participation of women and highlight their contribution to the success of supercomputing. To ensure that women are treated fairly and have equal opportunities to succeed in their chosen HPC career. To ensure everyone understands the benefits of promoting and achieving inclusivity.

https://womeninhpc.org

## Women in HPC (WHPC)

International organization working to improve equity, diversity and inclusion in HPC

• Encourages women to participate in the HPC community

Provides fellowship, education and support to women and the organizations that employ them

• Community

## Women in HPC (WHPC) Mentoring Program

- Robust mentoring program connecting women from around the world
  - $\circ$  Free
  - Professional network
  - Open for students
  - 4 months long program
  - Offered 3 times a year

- Mentor+mentee pairing
  - one-to-one meetings
  - webinars

## Women in HPC (WHPC) Mentoring Program

BENEFITS OF BEING A MENTOR

- Develop professional relationships
- Enhance peer recognition
- Use your experience in HPC, making it available to new HPC professionals
- Broaden your understanding of HPC by listening to what others are working on
- Enable you to practice and grow your interpersonal skills
- Provide personal satisfaction through supporting others and helping them to achieve their full potential as HPC professionals

BENEFITS OF BEING A MENTEE

- A mentor will be an independent voice, outside your direct sphere of activity. You can bounce ideas off them without fear of comeback
- Receive impartial professional development advice and encouragement
- A mentor can provide guidance on areas you are unfamiliar with

## **Personal stories:**

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## Intentions

• Give a platform for women and minorities who utilise HPC

• Establish a support network, including allies

• Outreach to underserved institutions

Increase Visibility of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure professionals & researchers

## **Upcoming Speakers & Meetings**

Regular Schedule:

2nd Wednesday of every month: Open Casual Discussion

4th Wednesday of every month: Invited Speaker Presentation

**October 27th (Wednesday)** 

Courtney Walbe,

Senior High Performance Compute Engineer at Children's Mercy Kansas City

## **Previous 2021 Presentations**

## FebNatasha Pavlovikj, University of Nebraska-LincolnFebProkEvo: an automated scalable framework for bacterial population genomics analyses

Mar Lauren Michael, UW-Madison's Center for High Throughput Computing The Open Science Grid

Apr Jingyan Fu, North Dakota State University, Neuromophic Computing: from Zero to HPC

## **Previous 2021 Presentations**

#### **Dr. Bess Vlaisavljevich**, University of South Dakota How can high performance computing help design sustainable polymers?

JuneDr. Yeganeh Marghi, Allen Institute for Brain ScienceJuneJoint identification of neuron types and type-specific activity-regulated genes with<br/>coupled autoencoders

July Dr. Lisa Claus, Lawrence Berkeley National Library HPC at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

May

## Links

#### Mailing List:

https://groups.google.com/a/greatplains.net/g/gp-whpc

**Group Folder:** (Past Presentations, Meeting Notes & More) <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1-4I3XKnCqb1pHoQfF4298GpP79zE9DIx</u>

**Zoom Meeting:** 

http://bit.do/gpn-whpc

**Speaker Sign-Up:** 

https://tinyurl.com/gpn-whpc-speaker

## THANK YOU

## **REMINDERS**:

Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month

(No Speaker in Nov or Dec)

October 27th : Courtney Walbe

## Zoom Link:

http://bit.do/gpn-whpc



