

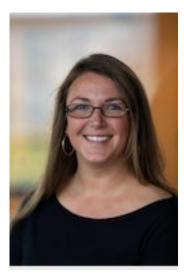
# Who We Are

How we do things





### First2 Student Agency



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### To solve the problem...

- We must understand the problems that our system hands to our first generation and underrepresented students. We can't do this without our students.
- We do not solve these problems FOR our students. We solve these problems WITH our students.
- We INCLUDE our students in the problem DIAGNOSIS, the DESIGN of solutions and the ACTION of those solutions.





#### Students in First2 will serve as Ambassadors

- To faculty, staff, legislative, policy folks as a voice of the underrepresented and first generation perspective
- To students coming after them as a support for navigating the system, learning the content
- In all of our working groups, improving systems at all levels





- Recognize common personal (and STEM specific) barriers to success in college
- Develop and share strategies to thrive







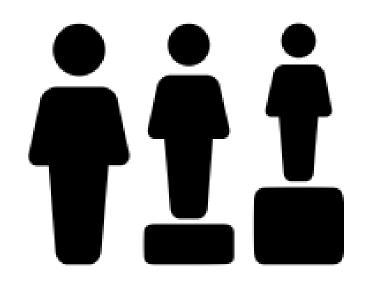
 Explore and understand institutional barriers for Rural First Generation students in STEM











- Articulate and analyze their own FIRST2 experiences through lenses of
  - equity/access

preparation

social justice.





- Theory -> ACTION: serve as advocates, bridging for knowledge of
  - College and STEM TO future FGC students
  - The needs and perspective of future FGC students TO college administration and faculty
  - FGC and STEM issues TO K-12 educational leadership.







### Clubs on each campus

- Weekly check-ins
- Building community
- Center for preparation and action for First2
  Ambassador work





### At least two ambassador visits a year

- One to your home town
- One to your institution, to the legislature, to conferences





## First2's Most Powerful Resource









## What is First2 Network doing for students?





## What do you wonder?

- Write down one question that you'd like to ask our student leaders on a post it / index card
- 2 -3 student leaders will visit your table and share their perspective



