

## WOMEN'S COLLEGES: REPRESENT!

**Where do women fully participate, challenge themselves, and take risks?  
Research says at the approximately 35 Women's Colleges in the U.S.**

The panel will consist of women's college alum. Through highlighting the extraordinary stories and experiences of a panel of graduates from women's colleges, we will explore why students choose to attend/transfer to a women's college, as well as highlights of their experience at a women's college, and benefits of being a women's college alum. We will illuminate why women's colleges remain socially significant, and encourage faculty, counseling faculty, and students to consider women's colleges as a meaningful transfer opportunity.

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We will leave ample time for discussion and Q&A!

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**Wafa Jawad** is a 2019 graduate of Smith College. She currently works for U.S. Senator Chris Van Hollen of Maryland. Prior to attending Smith College, Wafa was a student at Montgomery College - a community college in Maryland. She is a strong advocate of the community college system and believes that attending Montgomery College before transferring to Smith College was one of the best decisions she has made.



**Dr. Kisha Young** is a graduate of Spelman College, where she graduated with a B.S. in Biochemistry. She later went on to obtain her M.D. and Ph.D in Neuroscience from the University of Virginia. She is a fellowship trained movement disorders neurologist and currently serves as Medical Director for Movement Disorders for a community hospital practice in Southwest Virginia, where she lives with her husband and son.



**Michelle Cruz** Gonzales holds a BA and MFA in English and Creative Writing from Mills College. With a focus on Dystopian and Ethnic literature, Gonzales teaches English and Creative Writing at Las Positas Community College in Livermore. Michelle is also a community college alum.



**Hortensia Gooding** is a vocalist, speaker, writer & consultant. She earned a BA in Psychology from Spelman College and a Master's of Divinity with a dual concentration in Psychology & Philosophy from Union Theological Seminary at Columbia University. Hortensia has toured 11 countries on four continents as a vocalist and is currently serving as featured soloist to several churches in NYC. She works as a Data Manager for the City of New York and lives in Harlem.



**Molly Elkins** attended Moorpark College and transferred to graduate from Scripps College class of 1996 with a BA in French Literature and a Masters in Education from California Lutheran University.



**Abby Maiello** started at The Community College of Vermont and transferred to Mount Holyoke College in 2015. She is a 3rd grade teacher who lives in Southern Vermont with her husband and 2 stepkids, and a 156 year old house she renovated.