



# DC MOVES: Beginning a Difficult Conversation on Equity

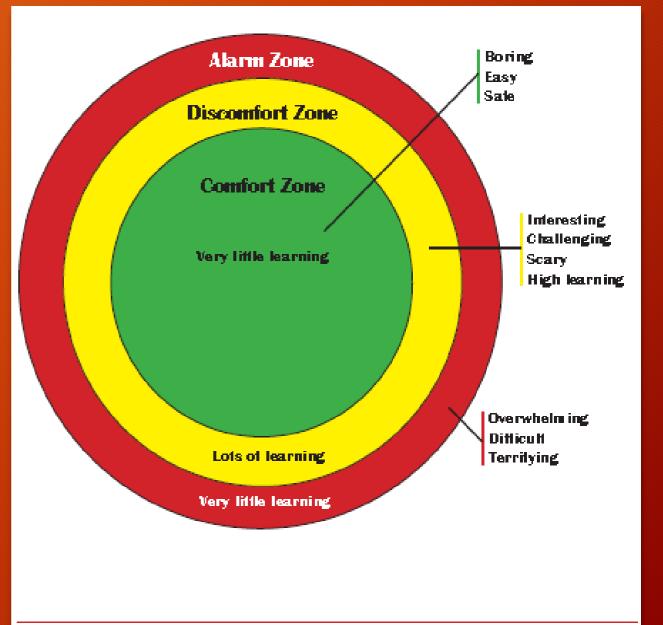
#### Thursday 10 December 2020







- COMFORT ZONE: boring, easy, safe: very little learning takes place
- DISCOMFORT ZONE: interesting, challenging, scary: lots of learning takes place
- ALARM ZONE: overwhelming, difficult, terrifying: very little learning, damage, shutdown



### Who am I?







- How old am I?
- What is my socio-economic status?
- What is my race?

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- What is my gender?
- Is there anything about me that makes you think I am a member of a sexual minority?
- What is my religion?
- What is my nationality?
- What is the level of my education?
- What is my health status?
- What do I do for a living?
- What is my name?



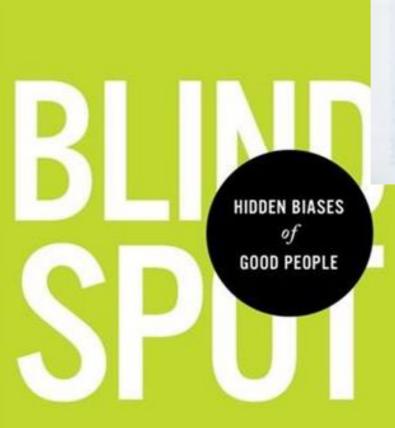
# Disrupting Unconscious Bias

- What is it?
- How is it defined?
- Why does it matter?
- What is its impact on me?
- What is its impact on others?
- •How do we get rid of it?



### Jane's Question:





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# The Physiology of Stress $\rightarrow$

Amygdala → hypothalamus → hypothalamic pituitary axis → adrenal glands → cortisol



### Language and Difficult Conversations...

- What does the wordle say ??
- What is racism? How do you define it?
- What's an ally? Who says so?
- White or white?
- The problem with binaries
- What gets in the way of having difficult conversations about race?
- What did we not talk about today that we should have talked about?



#### Reverse Racism?



# BECOMING AWARE OF BURDEN OF BE VIEWED AS A BURDEN OR SOURCE OF GUILT,

#### BURDEN OR SOURCE OF GUILT, BUT RATHER, AN OPPORTUNITY

TO LEARN AND BE RESPONSIBLE SO THAT WE MAY WORK TOWARD

### A MORE JUST AND INCLUSIVE WORLD.

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## CHECK YOUR PRIVILEGE

Privilege: Unearned access to social power based on membership in a dominant social group.

Able-bodied	physically	and	mentally
Access to ed	ucation		

Christian

- Cisgender
- Heterosexual

Male

Native English speaker

Canadian Citizen (at birth)

White

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If you have any questions, contact equity@uoit.ca

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Unknown Unknowns...

What if Unknown Unknowns Become Known Unknowns? Everything Changes. Because if I know then, knowing, I can no longer unknow What I know and I know that the consequences of knowing will change me.

I can no longer continue to act as if I do not know because I know. And. I know that I know. AndIknow that it is possible that the known knows that I know.

### Pulling back the veil: Adrienne Maree Brown



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Dis/comfort zones Who am I? **Unconscious** Bias Blind spot and IAT Language and Difficult Conversations Reverse Racism - the comic **Reverse Racism - the scholar** Privilege Awareness