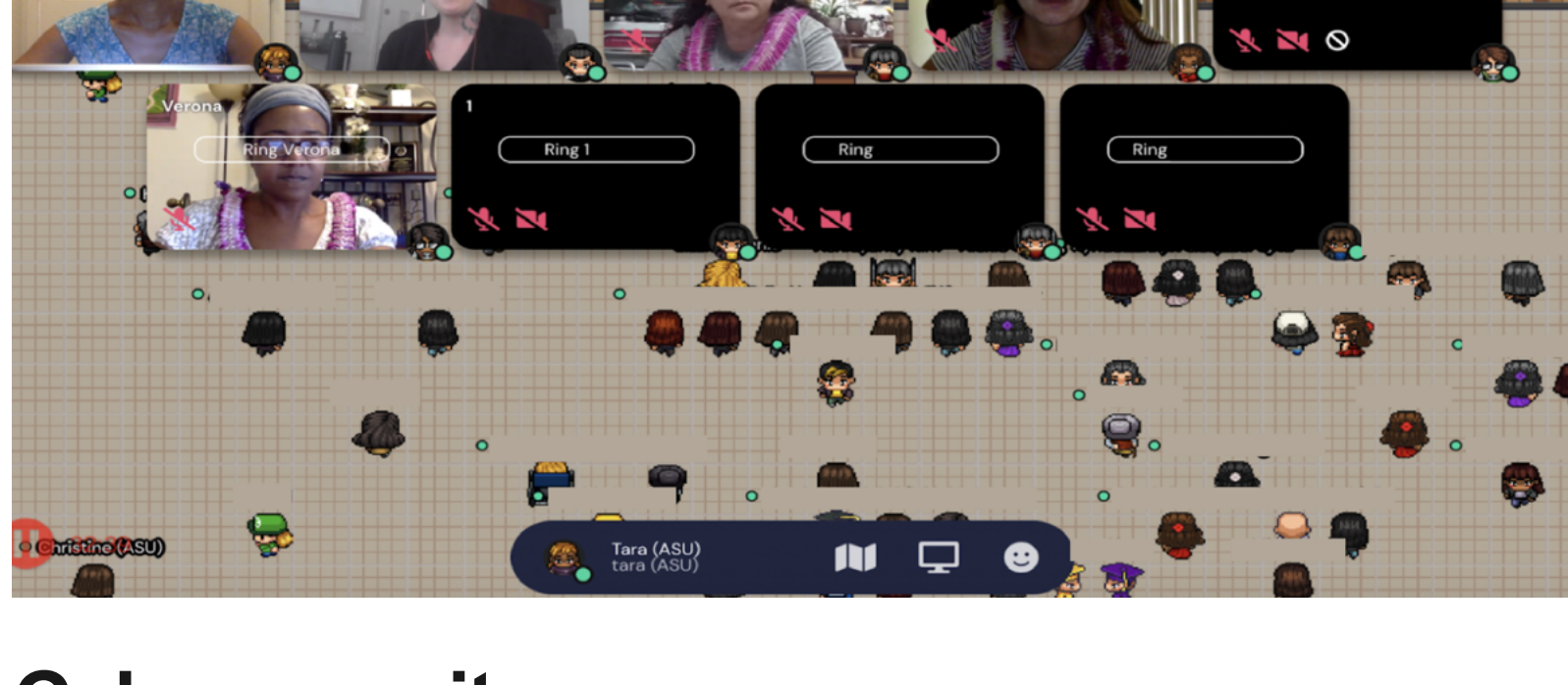


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This month Dr. Scott looks at and comments on the fields of academe, computer and engineering programs, funding agencies and how those systems conceive of and reward success in troubling ways.

[Read more](#)



Cybersecurity camp wrap-up

Our CompuGirls Hawai'i spring camp came to a close this last Saturday after nine weeks of lessons focused on encryption, coding, cybersecurity, and digital citizenship. We had over 80 girls attend throughout the course and were introduced to several guest speakers who gave them insight into the world and profession of cybersecurity and other viable STEM fields. We were delighted to have so many wonderful participants and are looking forward to working with these girls again in our summer program coming up in June.

[Read more](#)

Upcoming programs



CompuPower Summer Virtual Experience

As the school year is coming to a close our CompuPower students will be gathering virtually to present their final coalition projects to other schools while learning about career and educational opportunities within STEM fields. View the lineup of events [here](#).

CompuGirls Hawaii Summer Camp

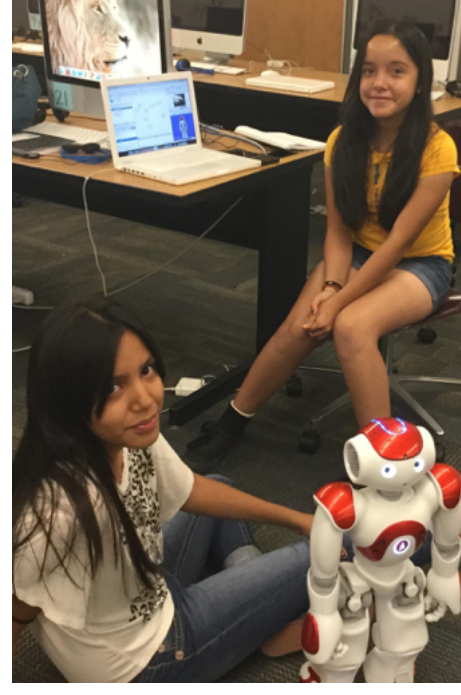
In collaboration with [ASU Prep Digital](#), the team is offering a free [computer programming course](#) in the month of June for Hawaii girls that were enrolled in our spring Cybersecurity program.

Girls in Tech Summer Program

30 girls (ages 13-18) from throughout Hawai'i will advance their abilities to problem-solve and manipulate technology as a tool to create opportunities that support our communities' environmental, educational, social, health, and cultural well-being. View more [here](#).

Coding for Change

The Digital Culture Summer Institute at ASU has received grant support to offer two free classes for 6th-9th graders in June. This is an excellent opportunity for girls to get involved in STEM! [Learn more on our blog!](#)



CompuGirls fact sheet

The CompuGirls program was developed by CGEST Founding Executive Director Dr. Kimberly Scott. The culturally relevant practices and principles of the CompuGirls program have been the foundation for many of the programs CGEST offers, including CompuPower. Our latest fact sheet highlights the theories and successes of the CompuGirl program throughout the years. View it [here](#).

10 Year Plan

After our conference we gathered information to keep the inspiration flowing and coalition building. As we are creating our 10 year plan we want to keep gathering feedback from everyone's unique perspectives and set of experiences in this work. Please take a minute to contribute to the plan by filling out this survey.

[Share your thoughts](#)

Research updates

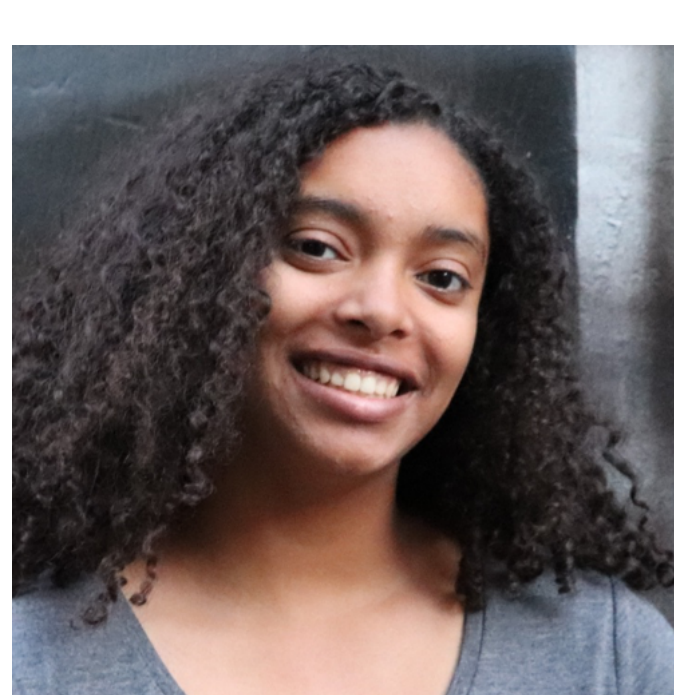
Building collaborative networks to support women of color in user-experience and technology design.



Dr. Laura Gonzales walks us through her team's longitudinal ethnographic study leveraging linguistic and cultural skills in designing tools and technologies for communities. They focused on combining language and UX design as critical pathways for increasing engagement and for highlighting the strengths of humanities researchers and their potential to positively influence technology.

[Read more](#)

Staff Highlights



Thesis defense

Congratulations to Rachel Ware, one of our graduating student workers for successfully defending her thesis this month! Listen to her full podcast titled 'Can online learning work for everyone?' and learn about her research.

[Listen and learn](#)



Volunteer service award

One of our Barrett Honors Fellows, Shalini Vijayaraghavan, recently received the Lincoln Undergraduate Scholarship and the President's Volunteer Service Award.

[View award](#)



Christine is a Postdoctoral researcher here at CGEST who has been with us for almost a full school year now. She has been absolutely instrumental in the CompuGirls Hawaii program especially with writing curriculum, facilitating professional development sessions with the Mentor Teachers, assisting our students with learning all the fun and interesting new technologies that there is to offer, and all while conducting research to advance women and girls of color in technology. What can't this postdoc do?!

[Read the spotlight](#)

Kids' corner



Educational STEM themed subscription boxes

Alexus shares with us some of the fun, engaging, and educational STEM themed subscription boxes that are just right for keeping the kids entertained while also learning through these upcoming summer months. She has found some gems so be sure to check out her latest post on the blog now.

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