Wise Beyond Your Years Symposium

April 25, 2015
Geological Lecture Hall
Harvard University

2015 marks the 10th year of Harvard Graduate Women in Science and Engineering (HGWISE). A great deal has changed in the last 10 years for women in science and engineering. The WISE beyond Your Years Symposium brings together women in the field from various generations to discuss and reflect upon the progress we have made as well as look toward the future. Thank you for joining the celebration!
HGWISE is a graduate student organization dedicated to the personal, academic, and professional development of women in the natural sciences, social sciences, and engineering at Harvard University. HGWISE aims to enhance the graduate experience for women in science and engineering at Harvard by providing opportunities for networking, professional development, and mentoring, as well as developing a meaningful community for women scientists. Get involved by joining us at a board meeting! Visit our website at hgwise.org or contact us at hgwise@gmail.com.

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Agenda
10:00 A.M. Poster session
11:30 A.M. Lunch Break
1:00 P.M. Alumni Panel
“How HGWISE has empowered me to succeed”
2:00 P.M. Coffee Break
2:15 P.M. Keynote Address
3:15 P.M. Coffee Break
3:30 P.M. Discussion Panel
“How Women in STEM: How far we’ve come and what challenges remain”
5:00 P.M. Networking Social

“How HGWISE has empowered me to succeed”

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KEYNOTE
Susan Lindquist, PhD ’77
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“Women in STEM: How far we’ve come and what challenges remain”

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