

SCS TODAY: September 11, 2020 — [Never forget](#)
[A late-day M-W-F update from the SCS Dean's Office]

SCS NEWS

- [Google.org donates \\$1 million and personnel to Delphi Research Group's COVID-19 forecasting project, COVIDcast](#), to track localized COVID-19 activity nationwide.
- [The current pandemic has led to an "infodemic" in scientific literature](#) due to a rush to publish, also underscoring a long-standing need to make scientific publication more accessible, transparent and accountable.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

- CMU was a sponsor recently for a [program by Dr. Robin DiAngelo](#), author of *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*. Availability of this recorded 90-minute conversation between Dr. DiAngelo and Dr. Valerie Kinloch, Dean of the University of Pittsburgh's School of Education, will not expire, remaining always available.

NEW BOOK CLUB

- CMU's Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) is expanding the original efforts of the College of Engineering's diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) book club and invites you to join the conversation around building an anti-racist community by joining the **CMU Community Book Club**. The first book this year will be *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson. If you're interested in joining these community conversations, [please complete this form by Friday, September 25](#). Groups will be formed by the first week of October.

COMING UP: DIGITAL ACCESSIBILITY TRAINING

- If you create documents, websites, software or other media, ensure that your materials are inclusive and accessible to all individuals including those with disabilities. [CMU's Digital Accessibility Committee will offer a series of live webinars on digital accessibility](#). Topics range from general overviews to deep dives for document creators, digital media producers, web developers and designers. These October offerings from the [Office of Disability Resources](#) are free and open to all CMU staff, faculty, and students.

REMINDER FOR ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTORS & TAs

- If you have trouble with any audio or video equipment in classrooms and other rooms used for teaching, contact Media Tech at 412-268-8855 (option 1) or mediatech@cmu.edu
- If you need access to an assigned instruction space, contact University Police at 412-268-2323
- If you need supplies such as hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, chalk or dry erase markers, contact CleanIt at 412-268-2910 or cleanit@andrew.cmu.edu
- If you notice something is missing or wrong with classroom furniture, contact Facilities Management Services at 412-268-2910 or fixit@andrew.cmu.edu

Until Monday,
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All of us share [A Tartan's Responsibility](#) and as members of the CMU community we must do our part to prevent the spread of COVID-19. If you plan to come to campus, you must complete the [CMU Self-](#)

[Assessment Survey](#). Even if you're not coming to campus, CMU Community Health & Well-Being strongly encourages daily completion of the survey.

REMEMBER YOUR RESOURCES

CMU Coronavirus [Updates & Information](#) and [FAQ](#) | CMU [Health Services](#), 412-268-2157

[SCS Alerts & Resources](#) | [For Students](#) | [For Staff](#) | [For Faculty](#) | [For Researchers](#)

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