As part of the CSE Celebration of Diversity, we cordially invite you to participate in CSE’s Red Chair Event, which is part of the National Center for Women in Technology’s SitWithMe campaign. More specifically, we invite you to sit down in a red chair and say a few words about diversity, equity, and inclusion. Through this symbolic gesture, you will take a stand for diversity, equity and inclusion in Computer Science & Engineering and beyond. The Red Chair event will take place in room CSE 1244 where UCTV will have a studio setup to record participants’ comments. We will use the recorded videos to build a montage of all the comments which will be added to the CSE website and used for other departmental events.

Prompts - Here are some questions that you can choose to answer when you sit in the red chair:

- Why is diversity, equity, and inclusion important to you?
- Why do you want to see more diversity in Computer Science & Engineering, or more broadly at UCSD?
- How would encouraging diversity make the field of Computer Science & Engineering stronger?
- How can we encourage diversity, equity, and inclusion in Computer Science & Engineering?
- How is CSE at UCSD working toward a more diverse department?
- Is there a personal story that you want to share?

Ending slogan - Each participant will be asked to say the following one-sentence slogan after giving their thoughts:

“I sit for …” or “I sit so that …” or “I sit because …”.

Here are some examples to get you thinking. Feel free to re-use one of the slogans below, or get creative and come up with your own personal message.

- I sit for diversity, equity and inclusion at UCSD
- I sit for diversity, equity and inclusion in Computer Science & Engineering
- I sit for women in technology
- I sit for all people from under-represented groups
- I sit for girls who love to code
- I sit for fairness and endless possibilities
- I sit for endless opportunities for my daughters/sisters/nieces
- I sit for future generations of Computer Scientists & Engineers
- I sit for my friends/colleagues/peers/students at UCSD

The Red Chair Event will take place on April 12th, in room CSE 1244. If you have a scheduled slot, please come at the time you have been assigned.

If you don’t have a scheduled slot, you are welcome to come by during any of the open drop-in times on April 12th: 10:00-noon, 1:00-3:15, or 3:45-4:00.