

Activity Information

Title: Book Discussion: How to Be an Antiracist

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Brief bio of instructor(s) (optional): Caroline McCue, MechE PhD student, will host this discussion. Nicholas Diehl, an MIT Ombudsperson, will facilitate the discussion.

Description of the activity (up to 250 words): Come together with fellow members of the MechE community to discuss Ibram X. Kendi's book, How to Be an Antiracist. Participants should obtain and read the book (about 300 pages) on their own before the discussion. Through reading and discussing this book, we will gain a better understanding of what racism is, what we can do as individuals to be antiracist, what we can do as a community to combat systemic racism, and we will learn from each other's thoughts and experiences. All members of the community are welcome.

Participant preparation: Participants should obtain and read the book (about 300 pages) on their own before the discussion.

Materials, tools, or other requirements: The ebook is available from the MIT library and the Boston Public Library (all students and Massachusetts residents can get a free e-membership online!) or for purchase via the author's website: <https://bookshop.org/books/how-to-be-an-antiracist/9780525509288>

Enrollment limitations: Enrollment will be limited to 10 participants on a first come first serve basis. If there is greater interest, we hope to schedule an additional meeting.

Activity schedule:

Session No.	Topic	Date	Start time	End time
Session 1	Discussion: How to be an Antiracist	August 10, 2020	1:30 pm EDT	3:00 pm EDT