



Title: Connecting Students with Important People in our Disciplines

Description: Sophie Germain and Julia Morgan are important people in their disciplines. Each had to overcome obstacles in their societies to succeed. Connecting our students with them can have a positive influence on the atmosphere in our classroom, and gives us a chance to discuss diversity and inclusiveness.

Speaker Profile: Pat McKeague earned his BA in Mathematics from California State University, Northridge and his MS in Mathematics from Brigham Young University. He has been involved with community college mathematics for over 40 years. He has written over 25 textbooks in mathematics. Pat is very active in the mathematics community giving presentations at mathematics conference around the country. He is the recipient of both the Presidential Award, and the Herb Gross Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Mathematics Association for Two-Year Colleges, for his service to the two-year college mathematics community. Twelve years ago, he started his own publishing company, XYZ Textbooks, with the goal of lowering the cost of mathematics textbooks for community college students.