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Maribel Kolker is an advocate and public speaker on addressing the gender gap issue in STEM education and careers. She is also a secondary teacher of physics, engineering, and nanoscale science at Morristown High School in Morristown, NJ. Maribel developed her full-year Nanoscale Science & Engineering course while working in the Soft Materials Lab at Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, NJ through a grant on iron oxide nanoparticle brushes. A second-career teacher, Maribel has a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Rutgers University and an MBA in Finance from Fordham University, and worked as an engineer and manager in the power generation, transmission and distribution industry for 13 years. Maribel lectures nationally on the gender gap issue in STEM, blogs about it at [maribelkolker.wordpress.com](http://maribelkolker.wordpress.com) and is on Twitter at @maribelkolker. Her talks draw upon academic research as well as her own findings from an all-girls engineering class she advocated for and taught at Morristown High School.