BREAKING THROUGH BIAS

COMMUNICATION
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for WOMEN to
SUCCEED at WORK

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All too often today, a woman’s career success is at risk because of discriminatory gender stereotypes. This is particularly the case in career paths that have been traditionally male but remains true even in many of the most well-intentioned organizations. *Breaking Through Bias* makes clear that women don’t need to act more like men to succeed. They do, however, need to be attuned to gender stereotypes, anticipate the biases these stereotypes foster, and manage the impressions they make to avoid or overcome them.

Based on the authors’ extensive business and professional experiences, long involvement in compensation and hiring decisions, and many years of mentoring talented, ambitious women, this book provides a how-to series of unique, sensible, and effective techniques for women to use to break through gender bias in the workplace and win at the career advancement game.

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