

Peta-Gay is well-rounded professional with over 15 years of experience as a Business, Information Technology, and Community leader.

In 2015, Peta-Gay joined the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion division at Google Inc., where she is the Program Manager for Code Next -- Google's first community-facing initiative that works to cultivate Black and Latinx tech leaders. Through the development of culturally responsive programs, events and the build-out of innovation labs, Code Next removes barriers, expands social capital, and provides unparalleled access to technology.

Peta-Gay is a member of the Board of Trustees at Pace University and is an Adjunct Professor at the Universities Seidenberg School of Computer Science. Prior to joining Google, Peta-Gay was the Deputy Director of IT at the Columbia University School of Journalism. Earlier in her career she worked as a Software Engineer building web-based applications for companies such as Federal Reserve Bank, NYC Department of Education, New York Magazine and COACH Inc.

From 2013 - 2015, Peta-Gay voluntarily spearheaded the launch and co-lead the NY Chapter of Black Girls Code - a nonprofit on a mission to increase the number of women of color in the tech industry. As of today, the NY Chapter has held technical workshops and events for over 500 young girls of color ranging between the ages of 7 - 18, and many of the senior girls have since graduated from college with a degree in Computer Science.

Peta-Gay was a 2019 winner of the Caribbean Life Impact Awards. She has received the Corporate Vision Award from 1199SEIU Child Care Corporation, the Civic Engagement Award for Academic Excellence and Community Service from Pace University, and the President's Award for Commitment, Service, & Leadership from Farmingdale State University.

Peta-Gay holds a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Programming from Farmingdale State University of New York (SUNY) and has earned a Master's Degree from Pace University. Peta-Gay is a 1st generation Jamaican-American. She is a native New Yorker and resides in Long Island, NY.