

Hakeem Oluseyi

Astrophysicist, Former Space Science Education Lead for NASA, and Inspirational Speaker

The title of Dr. Hakeem Oluseyi's critically acclaimed memoir, *A Quantum Life: My Unlikely Journey from the Streets to the Stars*, aptly describes the challenging and prolific life of this internationally-recognized astrophysicist. His relentless dedication to the field has earned him numerous titles, including award-winning author and journalist, engaging educator, and sought-after TV presenter, podcast host, voice actor, and keynote speaker. While Dr. Oluseyi is certainly a star now, his talks often center around the "hope, hustle, and help" he has received and given as he fought for his dreams.

Dr. Oluseyi grew up in some of the roughest neighborhoods in this country and had to navigate through poverty, violence, and instability at a young age. This self-taught scholar sought refuge in his love of science, spending much of his time reading and watching PBS nature shows. The odds of a boy being successful in such an environment are slim, but Dr. Hakeem Oluseyi is no stranger to defying the limits of possibility. Sharing his roller-coaster ride of success and the setbacks he faced along the way, Dr. Oluseyi inspires audiences around the world to chase their dreams no matter how unlikely they may seem. He is exclusively represented by [Leading Authorities speakers bureau](#).

Armed with a passion for astrophysics and an unbreakable determination, Dr. Oluseyi earned a B.S. in Physics and Mathematics from Tougaloo College and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Physics from Stanford University. From there on out, he has made pivotal contributions to developing technologies that have become standard across astrophysics and has pioneered patented technologies for devices used worldwide. In fact, his inventions can be found in the computer chips used every day. What's more, Dr. Oluseyi has published over 100 scientific publications and has seven U.S. patents and four E.U. patents. A mentor and educator as well, Dr. Oluseyi is a Visiting Professor at George Mason University and Princeton University.

With a distinguished history of service across multiple U.S. federal agencies, he has spearheaded diplomatic missions around the world and managed high-stakes projects that demonstrate his leadership and expertise on the global stage. Additionally, he served as the Space Science Education Manager at NASA Headquarters for NASA's Science Mission Directorate (SMD) and co-managed 25 cooperative agreements worth around \$40 million.

Dr. Oluseyi is a renowned science communicator and has gained recognition for his award-winning books, engaging public lectures, and international TV science shows, including *How the Universe Works*, *Baking Impossible*, *PBS NOVA*, and many more. With an uncanny ability to convey complex scientific concepts to diverse audiences, he has brought the wonders of the universe and scientific process to millions. He has solidified himself as a vital advocate for science literacy.

As a science journalist, Dr. Oluseyi has been nominated for a News Emmy and has won four Webby awards. His investigative journalism into the namesake of NASA's James Webb Space Telescope landed on the *New York Times* front page, overturned two decades of disinformation, and positively impacted science and society globally. Dr. Oluseyi's influence is as profound as the topics he covers, earning him a legendary status in science history.