

## Fall 2023 Diversity in Chemistry Symposium

## Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology





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Friday, November 3, 2023

10:00—11:30AM—Panel Session w/ Students CCB 1209

2:00—3:30PM—Speaker Seminar Presentations CCB 1303

**Host**: Professor Kate Waldie

## "Dreamer's Pathway to Become a Professor: Tips and Tricks"

This talk will be based on my own experience as an undocumented immigrant in this country for more than 25 years and navigating through the school and university system to fund my Ph.D. and beyond. Challenges to address diversity and the role of the Alliance for Diversity in Science in Engineering in addressing these issues will be covered briefly. Finally, in this talk, I will focus on our use of high-level quantum mechanical calculations, rigorously calibrated against experimental data, to interrogate the mechanisms and to guide the development of new catalysts and reagents for currently sluggish or unselective reactions.

