

BOUNDARY-SPANNING SEMINAR SERIES

Navigating Career Pathways

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Abstract: Chemical engineering is a discipline that relates to many other fields. Sometimes the possibilities are overwhelming, with so many options to choose from, it can be difficult to decide. Other times, it feels like there is only one path forward. In this session, I will share my experiences during my (relatively short) career and describe how I navigated past the obstacles in my way and took advantage of the opportunities that came along. Bring your questions, and let's discuss ways to navigate your own training, career choices and field transitions.

Bio: Arely Torres is a Chemical Engineer with experience in hands on experimentation coupled with kinetic modeling. After earning her Bachelor's degree at New Mexico State University, Arely went on to earn a PhD at the University of Kansas, conducting research at KU's Center for Environmentally Beneficial Catalysis. She then went on to work for two years at agribusiness ADM in Decatur, Illinois, before moving to Texas to join LyondellBasell as a Research Engineer supporting propylene oxide and co-products R&D. She is fluent in Spanish and English with a great facility for languages.

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