Charles Carpenter Memorial Lecture
February 18, 2021 | Virtual Carpenter Lecture
Talk title:
On My Own: The Challenge and Promise of Building Equitable STEM Transfer Pathways

Dr. Xueli Wang from the University of Wisconsin-Madison will deliver the 2021 Charles E. Carpenter Lecture, in which she will share key findings and takeaways from her new book, On My Own: The Challenge and Promise of Building Equitable STEM Transfer Pathways. Grounded in her longitudinal, mixed-methods study, Dr. Wang’s book unfolds the educational and life experiences of 1,670 students who started at two-year colleges and the four trajectories they ended up on by the close of the study. Through students’ narratives and voices, contextualized by rich survey and administrative data, Dr. Wang shows that the transfer-aspiring students were incredibly talented and motivated, but they were often left to navigate the transfer process and policies on their own without sufficient, on-point institutional support. Further, issues of inequity permeated the access, experiences, and outcomes of students throughout their journeys, cementing the frictions already ingrained in the imperfect transfer system to affect minoritized students in more disparaging ways. Based on her findings, Dr. Wang offers a blueprint to dismantle these ingrained frictions toward fully realizing the promise of democratization and equity through community college transfer.

Program
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Welcome: Dr. Toni Doolen | Dean, OSU College of Education
Special guest remarks: Doreene Carpenter
AHE Alumni Awards: Dr. Gloria Crisp | Professor, AHE Program Chair
Lecture and Q&A: Dr. Xueli Wang | Professor at University of Wisconsin-Madison
Closing remarks: Dr. Gloria Crisp

2021 AHE Alumni Award recipients:

Dissertation Award: Dr. Laura Boehme
Emerging Leader Award: Dr. Kelly Alvarado-Young
Distinguished Alumni Award: Dr. Tim Cook

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Supporting the Charles E. Carpenter Lecture and Conference Endowment

In 2004, Doreene Carpenter established an endowment in honor of her late husband, Charles E. Carpenter, and his lifelong commitment to community college leadership issues. This endowment directly supports the annual Charles Carpenter Memorial Lecture, an opportunity for students, alumni and educational leaders to come together to learn from a nationally recognized speaker about current trends in community college education and to network with other professionals.

To ensure the long-term viability of the Charles Carpenter Memorial Lecture series, consistent and dependable funding is essential. Funds generated by this endowment allow us to continue inviting leading experts on community college issues to the region and help offset other costs associated with the lecturership.

Thanks to Doreene and her family, as well as other generous friends and alumni, we have already raised $95,000 of our original $100,000 goal. Now, the College of Education, Oregon State’s community college leadership group and the Carpenter family invite you to join in and close the gap.

If you would like to discuss giving or have any questions about the endowment, please contact Tom McLennan, senior director of development at the OSU Foundation, at 541-231-6753 or tom.mclennan@osufoundation.org.

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