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DSU to Feature Guest Lecture Oct. 9 on Sustainable Chemistry

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Delaware State University will feature a guest lecture on ?Sustainable Chemistry? presented by Jennifer Kmiec, a prominent advocate of environmentally responsible chemistry in Delaware, at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9 in the Mishoe Science Center north auditorium (rm. 139) on campus.

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Jennifer Kmiec, executive director of the Delaware Sustainable Chemistry Alliance.

The guest lecture is free and open to the public.

Mrs. Kmiec, the executive director of the Delaware Sustainable Chemistry Alliance (DESCA), will explain the concept of sustainable chemistry and its importance to Delaware, as well as how the First State is a major player in this environmental endeavor.

She is also the wife of Dr. Eric Kmiec, chair of the DSU Department of Chemistry.

Sustainable chemistry ? also known as ?green chemistry? ? is the design of chemical products and processes that reduce or eliminate the use or generation of hazardous substances. Green chemistry applies to the entire life cycle of a chemical product, including its design, manufacture, and use.

DESCA is dedicated to encouraging sustainable innovation in chemistry throughout the greater Delaware region. Formed in 2010, DESCA's mission is to foster sustainable chemistry innovation among key stakeholders in the public and private sectors.

Working with thought leaders in industry, government and academia, DESCA helps link resources in ways that can both optimize the funding essential for R&D and translate the benefits of new and sustainable discoveries in chemistry into commercial opportunities.

The guest lecture is a part of the Dean's Distinguished Lecture Series sponsored by the DSU College of Mathematics, Natural Sciences & Technology.

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