CBE Women Seminar

You're invited! Please join us for lunch, fellowship, and a presentation Open to women in CBE and BME Friday 9/23 in Weill Hall 221 12 noon (lunch) to 1:30

Please RSVP to kathyvrogers@gmail.com

Science and Uncle Sam

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The federal government of the United States employs many scientists to secure the technological, financial, social, medical and military security of its citizens. This presentation describes the roles played by scientists in the various parts of the government, from laboratory and field researchers to cabinet members. The way scientific research funding is distributed will be described, as will information about internships, employment opportunities, salary and benefits, international opportunities, workforce demographics and flexibility.



Dr. Katherine Vorvolakos attended Brooklyn's Polytechnic University (BS, Chemical Engineering) and then Lehigh University (PhD, Chemical Engineering). Her dissertation work, entitled, "Elastomeric Friction", was guided by Professor Manoj Chaudhury. She taught at the City University of New York and was offered an tenure-track appointment before starting work for the Food and Drug Administration's Center for Devices and Radiological Health, where she was been since 2004. As an employee of the Office of Science and Engineering Laboratories, she provides scientific consult memoranda to the Office of Device Evaluation, helping to regulate, among other things, hydrogel-based medical devices.