

# Women in Engineering Graduation Recognition Banquet

*Women Ready to Make an Impact*



Washkewicz College of Engineering  
Dean's Diversity Council  
Thursday, April 14, 2022, 5:30 p.m.  
Fenn Tower Ballroom  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

# *Congratulations*

Sumaiya Ahmed, Spring 2022, MS Biomedical Engineering  
Allaa Alhasan, Spring 2022, BS Electrical Engineering  
Ola Ali, Spring 2022, MS Civil Engineering  
Dena Al-Kolak, Spring 2022, BS Electrical Engineering  
Raya Alrefaei, Spring 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
Fajer Ali Y Alsalem I, Summer 2022, BS Electrical Engineering  
Lolwa Alyaqoub, Summer 2022, BS Electrical Engineering  
Aya Aqeel, Spring 2022, MS Software Engineering  
Saisupriya Atluri, Spring 2022, MS Software Engineering  
Alexandria Badza, Spring 2022, BS Computer Engineering  
Claudia Bougebrayel, Spring 2022, MS Civil Engineering  
Anna Brewer, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering Technology  
Natalie Natalie Bubnick, Spring 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
MeganCarrick, Spring 2022, MS Mechanical Engineering  
Vaishnavi Chiramshetty, Spring 2022, MS Computer Science  
Tanetta Curenton, Summer 2022, PhD in Engineering  
Joudi Darwich Ahmad, Spring 2022, BS Computer Engineering  
Samantha Detgen, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Cassandra Dircks, Spring 2022, MS Civil Engineering  
Sindhura Dokku, Summer 2022, MS Computer & Information Science  
Evodia Ebraheem, Spring 2022, MS Mechanical Engineering  
Rebecca Ellis, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Bozana Gazic, Spring 2022, MS Civil Engineering  
Renuka Geethakrishnan, Spring 2022, MS Computer Science  
Alexis Goryance, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering  
Glory Gunturu, Spring 2022, MS Computer and Information Science  
Hanin Hamid, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Milica Jandric, Spring 2022, BS Computer Science  
Valerie Jarvis, Spring 2022, BS Computer Science  
Supriya Kalavakuri, Spring 2022, MS Computer Science  
Sriharini Kaza, Spring 2022, MS Computer Science  
Kostadina Kozanas, Spring 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
Ruth Kurak, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Jordan Kuzma, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering  
Taban Larimian, Spring 2022, PhD in Engineering  
Czarina Marie Legitimas, Spring 2022, BS Computer Engineering

# Graduates

Elaina Lindsey, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering Technology  
Julie Lindstrom, Spring 2022, BS Electrical Engineering  
Aditi Lole, Spring 2022, MS Electrical Engineering  
Lauren Lottier, Spring 2022, MS Biomedical Engineering  
Lakshmi Chandrashekar Madiraju, Spring 2022, MS Computer Science  
Faten Mansour, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Ashley McCartney, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering  
Emmet McGrath, Spring 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
Sareen Mustafa, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Deanna Mustafa, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering  
Christina Ortiz, Spring 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
Nishi Patel, Spring 2022, MS Computer and Information Science  
Kirsten Penny, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Katelyn Phillips, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering Technology  
Dorian Pichola, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering  
Grace Quaintance, Summer 2022, BS Electrical Engineering  
Hanadi Rashed, Summer 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
Erica Roelke, Spring 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
Laila Rumadan, Spring 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
Kate Shpaner, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Jeanette Sirna, Spring 2022, BS Computer Science  
Kyra Stovicek, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering  
Tayluer Streat-Ricchiuti, Spring 2022, MS Biomedical Engineering  
Rachel Sutor, Spring 2022, MS Civil Engineering  
Sunetra Swayambhatla, Spring 2022, MS Computer and Information Science  
Sarah Toth, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
MacKenzie Tucker, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Chandini Tummala, Spring 2022, MS Computer Science  
Thanmai Chowdary Vadlamudi, Spring 2022, MS Computer Science  
London Voss, Spring 2022, BS Civil Engineering  
Hana Wakefield, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Dana Wattar, Spring 2022, BS Electrical Engineering  
Elizabeth Weyman Heller, Spring 2022, BS Mechanical Engineering  
Hope Zehr, Spring 2022, BS Chemical Engineering  
Emily Zhao, Spring 2022, BS Computer Science

# Shilpa Kedar

## Keynote Speaker

Shilpa Kedar is Executive Director, Digital and IoT Innovations charged with leading University efforts in fostering foundation research, development, application, and education of digital and Internet of Things (IoT) technologies through cross-cutting, innovative, collaborative engagement across campus and beyond. On behalf of the Office of Research, Ms. Kedar is fostering the establishment and growth of the CSU T.E.C.H. Hub, designed to advance cutting-edge multi and transdisciplinary research related to IoT and digital innovations. As Executive Director of the center, Ms. Kedar works alongside faculty to build strategic initiatives that address community issues through the newly emerging field of Public Interest Technology. She also serves as Co-Executive Director of the IoT Collaborative, a collaboration with Case Western Reserve University. She cultivates relationships with partners in industry, federal and state agencies, the public sector, and philanthropic communities to further the University's goals related to the digital economy.



Ms. Kedar joined Cleveland State in early 2019 after working at the Cleveland Foundation for over a decade, most recently as Program Director, Economic and Workforce Development. She played a key role in many of the Foundations' collaborations and initiatives in economic transformation and inclusive growth. Prior to working in philanthropy, she worked for Team NEO, leading regional responses to multiple business attraction opportunities in alliance with economic development partners and private sector players. Prior to coming to Ohio, she was with the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad working as research associate focusing on the applications of information and communications technology for development. She served as editorial associate for the newsletter Information Technology in Developing Countries and researched gender issues in the telecom sector and co-authored paper read at a conference.

In her civic capacity, she serves as Partner with Social Venture Partners (SVP), Cleveland where she cultivates effective philanthropists and strengthens nonprofits to tackle Cleveland's social challenges. Much of her time at SVP is dedicated to a board committee on Equity.

Personal time is dedicated to learning an Indian classical art form and more recently, gardening and tennis. A Rocky River resident, she gives her 6-year-old twin boys the gift of living in a multigenerational home and studying in the diverse community of Campus International School at Cleveland State University.

Ms. Kedar has a Master's of Non-profit Organizations, from Case Western Reserve University; Post graduate Diploma in Management (MBA equivalent), Som-Lalit Institute of Management Studies, a Bachelor's of Business Studies, Delhi University. Her areas of expertise include: Technology in Society, Economic & Workforce Development, and Inclusive Economic Growth.

# Women Making an Impact

Thursday, April 14, 2022, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Fenn Tower Ballroom

*Richard T. Schoephoerster*

Dean, Washkewicz College of Engineering

*Shilpa Kedar*

Keynote Speaker

Executive Director, Digital and IoT Innovations, Cleveland State University

Executive Director, CSU T.E.C.H. Hub

Co-Executive Director, IoT Collaborative

Welcome.....Audrey M. Wiggins  
Chair, Dean's Diversity Council

Opening Remarks ..... Richard T. Schoephoerster  
Dean

Sponsor Acknowledgements ..... Jorge Gatica  
Co-Chair, Dean's Diversity Council

Sponsor Remarks..... Parker Hannifin  
Rockwell Automation

Introduction of Speaker ..... Richard T. Schoephoerster  
Dean

Keynote Speaker..... Shilpa Kedar

Women in Engineering Presentation ... Sunnie Chung, Member  
Lili Dong, Member  
Celena Roebuck, Member  
Jorge Gatica, Co-Chair

Closing Remarks.....Audrey M. Wiggins  
Chair

# *Dean's Diversity Council*

## **DDC Mission**

To promote a culturally and intellectually rich environment for diversity and inclusion, and to support the educational success and personal development of all members of the Washkewicz College of Engineering.

## **DDC Goals**

- Enrich the campus climate for diversity and inclusion
- Strengthen recruitment, retention, achievement and graduation of diverse populations of students
- Strengthen and promote multicultural programs

## **DDC Structure**

- Council consists of faculty, staff, students, and persons from outside the college and from the community
- Members have two-year terms, for a maximum of four terms
- Leadership of Chair, Co-Chair, and Past-Chair



# *2022 Diversity Council Roster*

Ms. Audrey M. Wiggins, Dean's Office Staff, Chair

Dr. Jorge Gatica, CHE Faculty, Co-Chair

Dr. Richard Schoephoerster, Dean, Ex-Officio

Dr. Sanchita Mal-Sarkar, EECS Faculty, Immediate Past Chair

Mr. Toufik Aidja, ET Faculty

Ms. Angela Benton-Smith, Dean's Office Staff

Mr. Marzell Brown, Community, Rockwell Automation

Dr. Sunnie Chung, EECS Faculty

Mr. Duane M Crockrom, Visiting Executive in Residence

Dr. Brian Davis, Dean's Office Administration

Dr. Lili Dong, EECS Faculty

Ms. Eilyn S Henriquez Quinteros, Student, SHPE, CE, CS2, MTH2

Mr. Bogdan Kozul, MCE Faculty

Dr. Josiah S Owusu-Danquah, CVE Faculty

Mr. Nicholas Petty, Dir, Undergraduate Inclusive Excellence

Ms. Grace J Quaintance, SHPE, WIE, EEPB, MTH2

Ms. Trinity J Robinson, Student, NSBE, EE

Dr. Celena Roebuck, Manager, MBA, College of Business

Mr. Andrew Ross, Student, AMCG

Dr. Eric Schearer, MCE Faculty

Ms. Emily Zhao, Student, WIE, ECS-HNSC

*Thank You*



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