

Climate & Diversity

"Climate" within the Department of Chemistry

A central goal of the Chemistry Department is to establish a welcoming environment in which all students, researchers, faculty, and staff can contribute fully in the shared missions of education, research, and service. Doing so requires a climate in which the diversity of our membership in terms of racial and cultural heritage, gender, physical ability, sexual orientation, and educational background is both recognized and appreciated. It requires a climate in which individuals are intrinsically valued and respected, irrespective of such differences, and where everyone is encouraged to achieve his or her maximum potential.

The Chemistry Department Climate & Diversity Committee: The Chemistry Department Climate & Diversity Committee was instituted in 2002 at the request of Dean Larson. The purpose of this committee is to continuously monitor the climate within the department, to serve as a contact point for persons seeking help with workplace relationships, to maintain communications among different groups within the department, and to provide suggestions for ways to best achieve the goals set forth above.

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The committee members welcome input concerning general issues related to improving the environment Chemistry Department as a place to work and study. Contact any one of the members and she/he will bring comments and suggestions to the committee for discussion.

In addition, feel free to contact individual committee members to discuss personal concerns related to workplace climate / interaction issues. Any such contacts will be kept strictly confidential.