

Biology Seminar

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Freedom Dreaming New Possibilities in Undergraduate Biology Education

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In 2002, author Robin D.G. Kelley published the book "Freedom Dreams," examining the efforts of various social movements across the African Diaspora. In this text, Dr. Kelley posed the questions:

"How do we produce a vision that enables us to see beyond our immediate ordeals?"
"How do we transcend bitterness and cynicism and embrace love, hope, and an all-encompassing dream of freedom, especially in these rough times?"

Leaning into these questions, this presentation explores the possibilities of using Afrofuturism to freedom dream new possibilities in undergraduate biology education, employing strategies and practices that re-envision the culture, context, classroom, and content in ways that critique oppression and embrace joy.

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