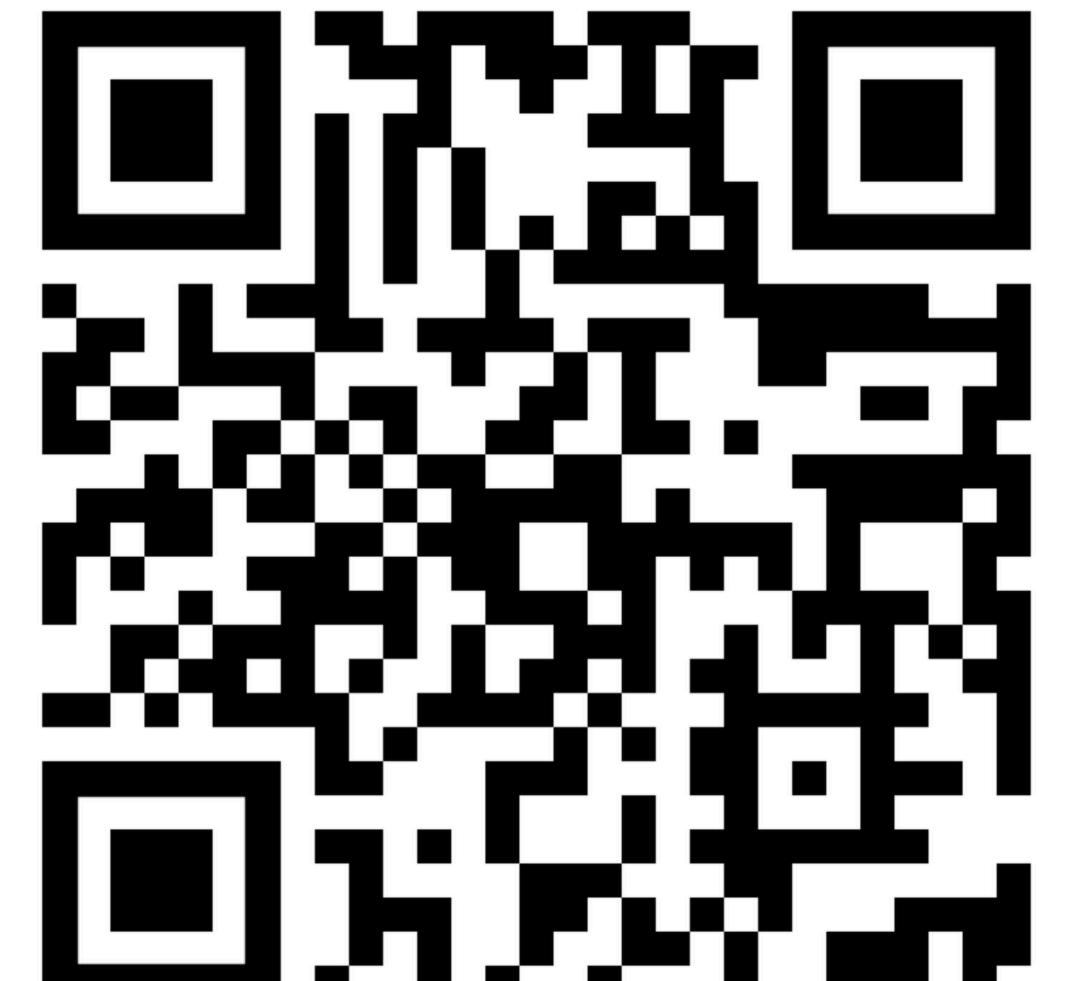


# SHPE GM

Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Professor Panel** featuring  
**Dr. Alarcon &**  
**Professor Mikelson!**



**Check-in here!**



# Dale-Giving:

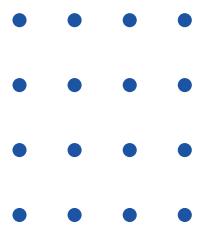
**Time: 6 - 8 PM**

**Where: Tech M361**

---

---

---





# Equipando Padres:

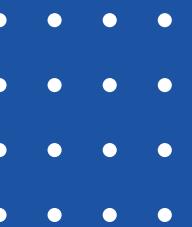
Time: 9 AM – 3 PM

Where: UIC (940 W Harrison  
St., Chicago, IL, 60607)

---

---

---



# Connect with us!

**GroupMe**



**Google Calendar**



**Instagram**



**Newsletter**



# New MemberSHPE Form!



# Introducing our Professors



## Illya Mikhelson

- BS, Electrical Engineering (NU)
- MS, Electrical Engineering (NU)
- PhD, Electrical Engineering (NU)



# Introducing our Professors



## **Arantzazu Alarcon-Fleming**

- **BS/ MS, Civil Engineering (UPM)**
- **MS, Civil Engineering (NU)**
- **PhD, Civil Engineering (NU)**
- **PhD, Civil Engineering (US)**



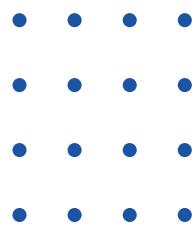
# Question 1:

**Please describe your personal background and the academic and career journey which has led you to your current profession.**

---

---

---





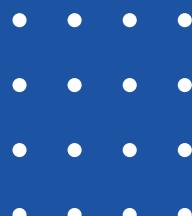
# Question 2:

**For those unfamiliar,  
what does a day in the life  
of a college professor look  
like?**

---

---

---





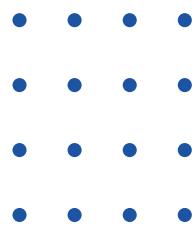
# Question 3:

**What measures career growth in academia, and what does success mean in your field? What does success mean to you?**

---

---

---



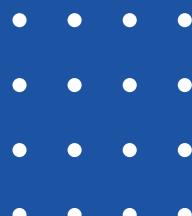


# Question 4:

**In your experience, how do academia and industry differ? Why did you choose academia over industry, and how has your experience in one benefitted your career in the other?**

---

---



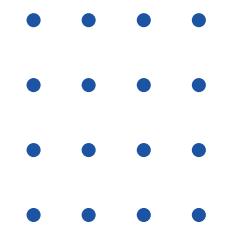


# Question 5:

**What are some avenues for entrance into the academic world? How might undergrads gain that experience? Can you speak on research opportunities for undergrads?**

---

---



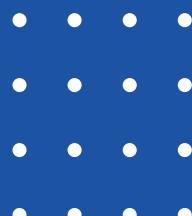
# Question 6:

**If you were to start your career over knowing what you know now, what would be your first steps towards success?**

---

---

---





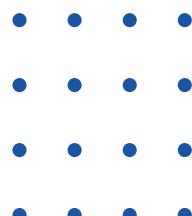
# Question 7:

**What are the most important aspects to creating a healthy balance between work including research and teaching duties and personal life?**

---

---

---





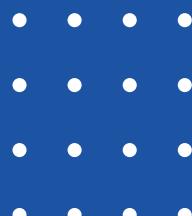
# Question 8:

**What career advice and general thoughts do you want to offer students?**

---

---

---



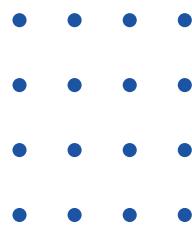
A large, abstract graphic on the left side of the slide consists of numerous blue lines of varying shades, creating a wavy, organic shape that resembles a stylized question mark or a series of concentric arcs.

# Any Other Questions?

---

---

---

A decorative graphic in the bottom right corner features a series of small blue dots arranged in a grid pattern, with a single vertical line extending upwards from the top of the grid.

• • •  
• • •  
• • •  
• • •  
• • •

**Thank You!**  
**To Dr Alarcon &**  
**Professor Mikhelson**



**Check-out here!**