

Talks to focus on science in society

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ALLIANCE Bassam Shakhashiri, professor of chemistry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, will present the 2018 Gallaher Lecture at 7 p.m. on Tuesday in the Brush Performance Hall of the Giese Center for the Performing Arts at the University of Mount Union.

Shakhashiri will present “Science is Fun and the Joy of Learning,” which will include demonstrations to show how science can be communicated to all segments of society. The program will discuss combustion, liquids that glow in the dark, polymers and other scientific phenomena. Prior to Shakhashiri’s talk, he will present a technical lecture at 11:10 a.m. in Room 02 of Bracy Hall, “Science and Society: Our Opportunities and Responsibilities.” Shakhashiri will discuss the importance of how scientists talk about science to the broader public.

Shakhashiri is the recipient of more than 35 awards, including the Carl Sagan Award for Public Understanding of Science from the Council of Scientific Society Presidents.

A reception will follow the lecture. For information, contact the marketing office at 330-823-6063.