**The Oppenheimer Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation**

This academic year, the Oppenheimer Center is pivoting to maximize the opportunities for foresters to thrive. Our co-director, Kate Jackson, sat down with us to discuss how the pandemic has led to a unique year of learning.

Kate says, “We are a center that is adapting, and we are innovating in a time that’s demanding that we do just that.”

Kate and the team are excited to embark on the journey of a virtual semester. At the beginning of this academic year, they reimagined their classes to be more engaging.

Kate shared, “We have had to create all new content, and we have been doing all virtual courses for the first time.”

The center has also been working hard to keep the community together. They have been reaching out to alumni, students, and faculty to stay connected.

Kate says, “We have been hosting Zoom meetings and virtual events to bring everyone together. We want to keep the community engaged and connected.”

Kate and the team have also been working hard to make sure that everyone is safe and healthy.

Kate shared, “We have been working hard to make sure that all of our events are virtual and that they are safe for everyone.”

Kate and the team are excited to keep the community together and continue to learn and grow.

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