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Feedback

Kamil's audiences say he is "dynamic, informative and passionate; a leader, a doer and enabler."

His students say he is "entertaining, extremely well organized and knowledgeable. He motivates and encourages the class to strive for excellence... demystifies the intimidating subject of chemistry... truly motivates me to learn... makes class fun and enjoyable and keeps me attentive... works for our complete success and understanding." Many say he is simply the best professor they have ever had.

Kamil has received numerous accolades from policy makers, education and corporate leaders, from outstanding scientific researchers and—those whose good opinion he values most—from the elementary, junior high and high school science teachers whose lives and careers our program has enriched.

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Kamil Assaad Jbeily was born in Beirut, Lebanon. Completing a B.S. in Chemistry and Master of Science in Chemistry and Chemistry Education, Kamil taught in the Lebanese secondary schools. In 1980, he immigrated to the United States to attend The University of Texas, where he earned his Ph.D. in Science Education in 1986. At UT Austin, Kamil supervised student teachers in the Central Texas area for over 5 years.

After almost ten years with the Texas Education Agency (TEA), first as a science specialist, then as director of science projects, in 1991, Kamil encountered his greatest challenge and opportunity in this Land of Opportunity — founding the Texas Regional Collaboratives for Excellence in Science Teaching. Under his leadership, this joint project of TEA and The University of Texas at Austin has grown into a dynamic, statewide network of P-16 partnerships which have improved the knowledge, skills, and performance of over 15,000 teachers and benefited the learning of over one million students.

An Active Educator

Dr. Jbeily has never lost touch with the classroom; he has served as Adjunct Professor of Chemistry at Austin Community College since 1985. As well, he is a sought-after motivational speaker, having made over 200 presentations on excellence, equity, diversity and reform in education, founding partnerships, and developing leadership.
