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**Engineering South**



**Renee Hale**  
PepsiCo R&D

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## **The Zink Center Leadership Seminar Series**

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### **Leadership Lessons from Science Fiction and Fantasy**

Renee Hale graduated from OSU in 2010 with a B.S. in Chemical Engineering, then gained her Ph.D. from the University of Texas at Austin (UTA). After internships with IBM, ConocoPhillips, and PepsiCo, she decided to begin her career in the food industry. Since joining PepsiCo R&D in 2017, she has worked on projects such as launching SunChips Black Bean, installing a manufacturing line for Stacy's pita bread, reducing water use on Doritos, and making snacks out of poured batters. Outside of work, she enjoys reading (especially Science Fiction and Fantasy), exploring new board games, and drinking coffee.

Dr. Hale lives in Grapevine, TX with her husband, Cody Pinkerman, who earned his BS, MS and Ph.D. in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering all from OSU. They enjoy supporting the OSU CEAT community, playing co-op games together, and visiting local bookstores.

