Reflections of my 43 years at Rutgers

Summary:
I called the seminar “Reflections of my 43 years at Rutgers,” as I plan to review, very briefly, my academic life from early education to the present. I was a top student in high school—2nd or 3rd in my class. But, in my first two semesters in college, I made a C and then a D in general chemistry. I went on to organic chemistry and made an F and then another F. The probability that I would become a research scientist in biochemistry was less than zero. But, despite these overwhelming odds, I made it anyway.

Lots of people, young, or not so young, find themselves in similar situations. But most of them don’t know how to get out of the situations they are in. I want to show them, with my story, how to turn things around.