



Finding *Your* Path as a Chemical Professional: A Conversation

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Description: How will you decide *your* path as a chemical professional? No single path guarantees success and satisfaction for everyone. Which path, from the many options available, will give *you* the most satisfaction? Choose the one that's best for *you!*

This informal conversation is your opportunity to explore career options with experienced chemical professionals who currently serve on the ACS Board of Directors. These seven ACS leaders represent a wide variety of ACS volunteer, career and life paths in academe, industry, national laboratories, government contracting and contract research (CROs). Some of these leaders spent their entire career in one organization, others moved around extensively. Some stayed technically focused, others branched out into academic administration, management, marketing and business development. They are eager to share their experiences, and willing to discuss any questions important to you, as you explore *your* options.

Format for this session:

- Brief (5 min.) career overview from each ACS leader
- 3 Small group table discussion periods (15-20 min. each)
 - Your questions/topics
 - With leader(s) of your choice

Time: Tuesday June 6, 12 pm-1:30 pm

Room: Training room

Notes: This room fits 25-30 theatre style.

