

## November Meeting

### **Networking During a Global Pandemic: Building Better Bonds Through Chemistry with Dr. Matthew Granbois**

Join us Wednesday night, November 18th, for a MN ACS sponsored webinar with Dr. Matthew Granbois, ACS Committee on Professional Training, for a virtual presentation titled Networking During a Global Pandemic: Building Better Bonds Through Chemistry. Granbois obtained his PhD inorganic chemistry from the UMN. He is an active ACS volunteer and a frequent presenter for ACSwebinars on various topics related to professional development. Granbois' presentation will last 30-40 minutes, followed by Q&A.

**Speaker:** Dr. Matthew Granbois, ACS Committee on Professional Training

**When:** Wednesday, November 18th at 7pm

**Registration Link:**

[https://american-chemical-society.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_jOecnrGqSf-ClIrCTvP3w](https://american-chemical-society.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jOecnrGqSf-ClIrCTvP3w)

**Abstract:** Networking is one of the most critical professional activities that a chemist can do throughout their career. The COVID-19 global health pandemic has created an environment that has taken networking away from the coffee pot stations and after-hours establishments and placed it square in your kitchen and onto your couch. Despite what it may seem, our work from home (WFH) culture has created numerous ways to network while simultaneously maintaining social distance. This presentation will discuss some of the fundamentals of networking, ways to utilize your WFH status to your advantage, and how to grow your network of relationships to help you achieve your career goals.

**Speaker Bio:** Matt Grandbois is a Lead Market Manager with DuPont Electronics & Imaging located in Marlborough, MA. In this role, he leads the product and project portfolio management process to deliver innovative chemistries and materials for the manufacturing of semiconductors, advanced displays, and integrated circuits. Matt received his Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from the University of Minnesota and his B.A. degrees in Chemistry (ACS Approved) and Music from Augustana College in Sioux Falls, SD. Matt is currently a Member-At-Large for Central Massachusetts Local Section of the American Chemical Society, Chair-Elect for the ACS Division of Business Development & Management, Member-At-Large for the ACS Division of Professional Relations, and is an Associate Member of the ACS Committee on Professional Training. He is a frequent presenter for ACS Webinars on the topic of professional development to include Meta communication, Silent Networking, and Managing Up principles.