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ACS Resource Guide for Applied Chemical Professionals

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**Committee on Technician Affairs (CTA)** works to advance chemical technicians through ACS governance channels and Society resources. [About Us > Governance > Committees > Technician Affairs](http://www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/)

**Division of Chemical Technicians (TECH)** is an ACS technical division committed to providing professional growth opportunities to all individuals working with, or interested in, chemical technology. TECH organizes technician programming at national meetings, publishes the ConneCTECH newsletter, promotes local technician affiliate groups (TAG’s), and provides a national network for technicians. [www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/](http://www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/)

**ACS Chemical Technology Program Approval Service (CTPAS)** helps prepare technicians for the workplace by nurturing two-year industry-based chemical technology education programs. CTPAS also grants ACS approval to qualified chemistry-based technology programs. [Education > Policies, Standards, Guidelines > Chemical Technology Program Approval Service](http://www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/)

**ACS Short Courses** are seminars and webinars designed to help chemical professionals keep current in today’s competitive marketplace. Expenses are usually paid by the employer as part of the technician’s professional development. [Careers > Professional Development > Continuing Education in Chemistry](http://www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/)

**ACS Network** is an online networking tool for the global chemistry community. The ACS Network lets you connect with colleagues and share information in a trusted community. [www.acs.org/ACSNetwork](http://www.acs.org/ACSNetwork)

**ACS Careers** is a comprehensive online recruitment and career site for the chemical community. Services include [Chemical & Engineering News](http://www.chenews.org) classifieds, employer profiles, and access to ACS career resources. [www.acs.org/careers](http://www.acs.org/careers)

**ChemTechLinks** is the ACS project to support chemistry-based technician education. It was established under a grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF grant DUE 0053250). The ChemTechLinks website is a clearinghouse of information about technician education. [www.ChemTechLinks.org](http://www.ChemTechLinks.org)

**ChemTechStandards** is a compilation of the skills and competencies industry expects of chemical technicians. The database features tools to generate surveys, analyze gaps between performance and expectations, and customize the standards to regional requirements. [www.ChemTechLinks.org/SkillStandards](http://www.ChemTechLinks.org/SkillStandards)

**Experiential Programs in Chemistry (EPiC)** promotes and provides information on internships, co-ops, study/work abroad, and service-learning. [Education > Students > College > Internships](http://www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/)

**ACS Scholars** is a scholarship program designed to encourage African-American, Hispanic/Latino, and American Indian students to pursue undergraduate college degrees in the chemical sciences and chemical technology. [Funding & Awards > Scholarships > ACS Scholars](http://www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/)

**ACS Chemistry-Based Technology Student Recognition Award** recognizes students who demonstrate academia and technical excellence while preparing to become applied chemical professionals. [Funding & Awards > Awards > Other ACS Awards > Awards for Students](http://www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/)

**National Chemical Technician Award** is presented annually to a chemical technician who demonstrates an extremely high degree of professionalism. The winner is selected on the basis of technical and communication skills, safety, reliability, leadership, teamwork, publications, and presentations. Additional professional and community activities are also considered. [www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/](http://www.membership.acs.org/t/tech/)

For more resources, visit [www.acs.org](http://www.acs.org) and follow the path: **Careers > What Chemists Do > Careers in Industry**.