# **Matthew Yakush**

#### **Chemical Engineer**

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#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### **Estimator/Estimating Engineer**

E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company (DuPont) - Wilmington, DE - April 2014 to Present

- Produce estimates for all levels of front end loading (FEL) for projects with capital expenditures up to \$50MM
- Lead estimating on projects totaling over \$200MM both domestically and internationally
- · Lead estimate and capital reviews with business leadership to gain full-funds authorization
- Collaborate with multi-functional teams to develop detailed scope and business objectives for capital and non-capital projects
- Provide cost estimates for field materials, labor, engineering, and construction across all DuPont businesses including polymers, food grade additives, agriculture, and electronics
- Utilize Aspen Capital Cost Estimator to generate direct costs for electrical, instrumentation, and equipment
- Validate contractor estimates for accuracy and alignment with DuPont's best practices
- Drive continuous improvement by updating and maintaining global core estimating standards: Escalation Calculator, Estimate Reconciliation Workbook and Estimating 101 training

#### **Chemical Engineer**

E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company (DuPont) - Wilmington, DE - June 2012 to April 2014

- Led R&D scale-up campaigns of OLED products from material ordering and planning through qualification of product. Performed product cost analyses for rapid commercialization of materials
- Lead technical expert for developing technology transfer packages. Demonstrated and verified OLED product scale-up at contract manufacturers
- Scale-Up lead in DuPont Integrated Business Management meetings. Gave monthly updates of supply and demand of OLED products along with future production to business leaders.
- Performed laboratory synthesis scale-up and process optimization utilizing pilot-scale process equipment for high value specialty chemicals to reduce cost of manufacturing and improve product quality
- Optimized 22L vacuum distillation columns and successfully implemented at semi-works manufacturing facility.
- Drafted SOPs, PSM documentation, and New Employee Training Package

#### **Chemical Development Intern**

Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals - Ridgefield, CT - June 2010 to August 2011

Year 2

• Designed and optimized a continuous flow process for a pharmaceutical intermediate synthesis using an Ehrfeld microreactor and LabVision software

Year 1

 Applied Raman Spectroscopy as a process analytical technology (PAT) in order to in-line monitor polymorph changes during crystallization of active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs)

#### Referee

Newtown Soccer Club - Newtown, CT - March 2002 to June 2010

• United States Soccer Referee

#### **EDUCATION**

# **Masters of Science in Chemical Engineering**

Villanova University - Villanova, PA 2013 to 2015

# **Bachelors of Science in Chemical Engineering**

Villanova University - Villanova, PA 2008 to 2012

#### **SKILLS**

Excellent written and verbal communication skills. Strong creative problem solving and analytical skills. Proficient with Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Frontpage. Proficient in Aspen, MathCAD, Solidworks, and some MatLab

#### **AWARDS**

# **Engineering Recognition Award**

November 2013

Recognition Award for large scale monomer campaign - DuPont Displays - 2013

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

# **Green Belt Six Sigma**

April 2014 to Present
Purification optimization for OLED products

# **Project Team Leadership Academy**

May 2015 to Present

DuPont Project Team Leader week long training course