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Congratulations Graduates

The Touro University California College of Pharmacy extends our best wishes and congratulations to the 96 members of the Pharm.D. Class of 2016 and the 15 members of the M.S.M.H.S. Class of 2016. The commencement ceremony this year was held at the Zellerbach Auditorium in Berkeley, CA.

A special thank you to Dean Emeritus Katherine Knapp, Ph.D., who served as our keynote speaker and Touro alumni Monica Donnelley, Pharm.D., who conveyed encouragement and best wishes to our graduating students. Jeremy Supetran and Ken Mak of the Class of 2016 did a fantastic job singing the national anthem and serving as the class speaker.

The Class of 2016 appreciates the support of family and friends who attended the ceremony and provided encouragement over the years.



Post-Graduate Placements

This has been a banner year for post-graduate placements for the Touro University California College of Pharmacy. A total of 34 members of the Class of 2016 matched for PGY1 residencies and fellowships: 30 American Society of Health Systems Pharmacist (ASHP)-accredited residencies, one Indian Health Service residency, and three fellowships. An additional two graduates from the Class of 2015 matched: one PGY1 and one PGY2 residency.

Touro Students Having an Impact

To serve, to lead, to teach



P1 and P2 students descended onto the state capitol in Sacramento, CA on Wednesday, April 13 as part of our annual Legislative Day efforts to advocate on behalf of the profession.

Danielle Trinh (P1) was selected as a student representative on the Public Policy Council of the ASHP.

Thao Tran (P1) received a Walgreens Diversity and Inclusion Excellence Award.

Diana De Vore (P2) received a "Inspire Learning" scholarship from the Solano Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Winnie Trieu (P3) was accepted in the highly competitive VA Palo Alto VALOR Program.

Four members of the Class of 2017 were accepted for rotations in the Pharmacy Student Experiential Program at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration: Richard Alcera, Eric Hsieh, Huong Nguyen, and Gary Seun.

Leo Cheung (P3) was selected for the Leadership Academy of the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP).

Ashley Butler (P4) received a United States Public Health Service (USPHS) Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Award.

Brigitte Ouabo (P4) received a Walmart Scholarship.

CVS Health Scholarships were awarded to: Brigitte Ouabo (P4), Timothy Phan (P3), Yamilette Mendez (P3), and Thao Tran (P1).

Albertsons Safeway Scholarships were awarded to: Ahn Le (P2) and Hui Yu (Michelle) Kuang (P2).

Walgreens Diversity Scholarships were awarded to: Hanuel Yang (P2), Janet Chang (P3), and Myan Tran (P4).

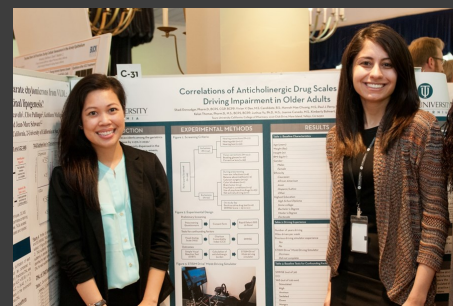
The California Pharmacists Association (CPhA) awarded Touro University California a Chapter of Excellence Award.

Team Touro California took second place in the Quiz Bowl competition at the CPhA annual meeting.

The California Society of Health Systems Pharmacists (CSHP) awarded Touro University California a Student Chapter of Distinction Award.

The AMCP National Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Competition semi-finalists (Top 16 teams in the nation) included the team from Touro University California comprised of: Jason Xie, Kevin Cheung, Jinjing Cheng, and Andes Wong.

Touro University California was a finalist in the National Market Challenge Script Your Future Competition.



Pinning Ceremony

On May 19, the College of Pharmacy held its annual pinning ceremony to celebrate the transition of the P2 class from the didactic component of the program into their clinical rotations. A special thank you to our speakers, Kajua Lor, Pharm.D. and Crystal Diep (P3) who provided words of encouragement and advice to the Class of 2018.

We also appreciate the support of Chief Executive Officer and Senior Provost Shelley Berkley, Provost and Chief Operating Officer Marilyn Hopkins, Rabbi Elchonon Tenenbaum, and College of Pharmacy faculty who participated in the program.

The ceremony was sponsored by our LIFE program partners Rite Aid Corporation and CVS Health.





WELCOME New Staff

We are pleased to welcome Anthony Williams to the College of Pharmacy as a Recruiter and Outreach Specialist. Mr. Williams has a B.S. in Business Management from the University of California Davis. He is from the Fairfield, CA area and has served in a similar role for other universities and organizations, including the U.S. Air Force. We are looking forward to working with Mr. Williams to recruit outstanding future pharmacists into the Touro University California College of Pharmacy.

Bijal Shah, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Social, Behavioral and Administrative Sciences (SBA), Chad Bradford, Pharm.D., Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, Patricia Shane, Ph.D., Professor of SBA along with student pharmacists Nicole Wachi (P4) and Kamy Sahota (P1) received a Platinum Award for their presentation, "Patient and care characteristics that heighten risk for 30-day readmission in patients with congestive heart failure," at the AMCP annual meeting.

Monica Donnelley, Pharm.D., Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy, passed the American Academy of HIV Medicine Pharmacists Exam to be AAHIVP certified.

Tristan Lindfelt, Pharm.D., Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, was appointed to the Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Recertification Program Standard Setting Panel of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP).

Lauren Roller, Pharm.D., Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, was appointed to the ACCP Critical Care PRN Membership Committee.

Kajua Lor, Pharm.D., Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, was accepted in the Health Equity

Leadership Institute program – a research bootcamp to increase the number of investigators engaged in health equity research.

Nathalie Bergeron, Ph.D., Professor of Biological Sciences and her colleagues were awarded a two-year grant from the Dairy Research Institute to study the "Effects of a modified high-fat Mediterranean dietary pattern on lipoprotein and inflammatory markers of CVD risk in adults."

Adrian Wong, B.S.Pharm., was re-elected to the CPhA Board of Trustees.

CONGRATULATIONS Faculty Promotions

Three exemplary faculty in the College of Pharmacy were approved for promotion from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor: Susan Heimer, Ph.D., Biological Sciences; Tristan Lindfelt, Pharm.D., Clinical Sciences; and Kajua Lor, Pharm.D., Clinical Sciences.

Phi Lambda Sigma

Pharmacy Leadership Honor Society

In a May 2 ceremony, 18 outstanding student leaders were inducted into the Phi Lambda Sigma honor society: Walid Aljayoshi, Amrit Bains, Gurjit Bains, Alex Cullum, Diana De Vore, Xuan Vu Falah, Golnoush Golshan, Khin Htwe, Yuan Yih Eric Huang, Supanee Sandra Lertpaichiyon, Kathy Nguyen, Nam Andy Pham, Jeffrey Shu, Mehek Talwar, Danielle Thanh, Steven Tran, Bichuyen Winnie Trieu, and Hanuel Hannah Yang.

Additional honors and recognition were bestowed upon Lucy Phan – Member of the Year, Joy Chaudhry – Alumnus of the Year, and Mark Gloudeman – Honorary Member.

The mission of the organization is to support pharmacy leadership commitment by recognizing leaders and fostering leadership development.



LIFE Program

The Touro University of California College of Pharmacy is grateful to the sponsors of our 2015-2016 LIFE Program—“Look to Invest in Future Employees.” Through their contributions to the LIFE Program, the following organizations served as valued partners in supporting seminal events in the training of our students and select professional development activities during the past year.

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Upcoming Events

Residency Events: June 29 and August 5

We will bid our 2015-2016 resident class farewell as they complete their training programs at a reception in their honor on Wednesday, June 29, 2016. We will welcome our new class of 2016-2017 post-graduate trainees (residents and fellow) at orientation on Tuesday, July 5, 2016.

New Student Orientation: July 28—August 3

University orientation for new students will be held on Friday, July 29, 2016, with optional social activities on July 28. The faculty and staff will be welcoming the Class of 2020 to the COP on August 1-3, 2016 during the college's orientation for new students.

Welcome Back: July 28

The new school year will be kicked off by the Provost at a university faculty and staff meeting on Thursday, July 28, 2016.



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