



September 22, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Danielle Thanh**, one of seven recipients for CSHP's 2016 Grassroot Advocates Recognition Program, and the only student recognized! She will be recognized during the CSHP Seminar 2016 Awards Ceremony held on Saturday, October 29th in Anaheim, CA.



September 19, 2016

KUDOs to **Vivian Dao (P1 Class of 2020) and Jeff** presenting their driving and hyperglycemia study at the American Osteopathic Medicine OMED Convention in Anaheim on Sunday.



September 16, 2016

WELCOME: We are pleased that **Anh "Andy" Do**, Class of 2014, continues to be part of the Touro California family as a new Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor. Andy completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System, a PGY2 Health-System Pharmacy Administration Residency at Palomar Health, and the ASHP Foundation Pharmacy Leadership Academy (2015 graduate). He is currently an Oncology Operations Pharmacist at Kaiser Vacaville Medical Center.



September 14, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Dr. Monica Donnelley**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, who will be presenting a poster at the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) meeting "ID Week" in New Orleans in October: "Nonbronchoscopic-BAL for Suspected Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia: Factors that Drive Unnecessary Antimicrobial Prescribing."



September 1, 2016

KUDOS to **Janet Chang** (Class of 2017) for her article on drug take back which appeared in the August edition of Drug Topics Magazine





August 30, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Alex Cullum** (Class of 2018) for being awarded a California Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists (CSHP) Student Leadership Award.



August 24, 2016

KUDOS to **Dr. Monica Donnelley**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, who will be presenting, "Making the Grade, Improving Adult Vaccination Rates. Update on New ACIP Guidelines," at the upcoming CSHP annual meeting in Anaheim, CA.



August 19, 2016

KUDOS to **Dr. Ashley Butler Rogers** (Class of 2016) and her co-authors which included Dr. Patricia Shane, Professor of Social, Behavioral and Administrative Sciences, for their paper, "Comprehensive Medication Management Programs: 2015 Status in Southern California," which was published in Research in Social and Administrative Pharmacy.



August 16, 2016

KUDOS to **Dr. Monica Donnelley**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, and **Dr. Keith Yoshizuka**, Chair of Social Behavioral and Administrative Sciences, who will be presenting "Antimicrobial Stewardship Updated Guidelines and Your Legal Responsibility to the Patient," at the upcoming CSHP meeting in Anaheim.



August 10, 2016

We appreciate the generosity of Walgreens which allowed us to award scholarships to P1 students in recognition of their commitment to diversity. CONGRATULATIONS to the following P1 students who received Walgreens Diversity Pipeline Awards: **Fatima Hernandez**, **Miri Nissan**, **Tatiana Ouabo** and



those recognized with Walgreens Diversity and Inclusion Awards: Allison Morse, Diana Nguyen, Minh Dang, Manpreet Kaur.



August 5, 2016

KUDOS to **Michael Phorth**, MPH/PharmD Class of 2016, for his article, "Pharmacists should get training in naloxone use now."

http://drugtopics.modernmedicine.com/drug-topics/news/pharmacists-should-get-training-naloxone-use-now

Per Fred Meyer, this article will be used for their PPSI/MCPhA California Board of Pharmacy training programs and naloxone use, that is being given by Aglaia Panos, PharmD, MCPhA president.



August 5, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Dr. Adrian Palisoc** (Class of 2012), Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, who was promoted to Inpatient Supervisor at San Leandro Kaiser!



August 4, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Jonathan Trinh** (Class of 2020) and **Danielle Fox** who took second place in the Student National Pharmaceutical Association (SNPhA) Clinical Skills Competition! **Dr. Lauren Roller**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, serves as their SNPhA advisor.



July 30, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to **Danielle Fox** and **Jonathan Trinh** for making it to the final round of the 2016 SNPhA National Clinical Skills Competition!



July 29, 2016



KUDOS to **Diana DeVore (P3)** who represented the CAPSLEAD team and Touro University California presenting their research project at the annual American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) meeting in Anaheim, CA. **Dr. Shadi Doroudgar**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, served as a mentor for the project and also as the school's faculty delegate for the meeting.



July 29, 2016

A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT to **Punam Patel, Jeffrey Shu, Kathy Nguyen, Danielle Fox**, and **Jonathan Trinh** who are representing us at the 2016 SNPhA National Conference. Best wishes especially to Punam and Jeffrey who comprise Team Touro California in the Clinical Skills Competition!



July 29, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Dr. Monica Bidwal, Dr. Kajua Lor**, and **Dr. Eric Ip** of our Department of Clinical Sciences for their paper, "Evaluation of Asthma Medication Adherence Rates and Strategies to Improve Adherence in the Underserved Population at a Federally Qualified Health Center," which was accepted for publication in Research in Social & Administrative Pharmacy.



July 29, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Dr. Jasmine Reber**, Class of 2016, who was recently appointed as a member of the ASHP New Practitioners Forum (NPF) Advisory Group for 2016-2017.



July 18, 2016

WELCOME: **Dr. Kristen Herzik**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, has joined the Touro University California team at Sharp HealthCare in San Diego. Dr. Herzik is an exemplary alumni from our Class of 2013 and we are looking forward to having new generations of students and residents benefit from her expertise as a care transitions pharmacist.



May 18, 2016



CONGRATULATIONS: Touro University California was named a finalist in the National Challenge Award category of the fifth annual Script Your Future contest. This national medication adherence campaign honors student leaders in an annual multi-profession challenge.



May 16, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Dr. Shadi Doroudgar, Dr. Vani Rajagopalan, Dr. Margaret Schulte** and the **CAPSLEAD team (Amrit Bains, Xia Li Chen, Diana De Vore, Khin Htwe, Michelle Nguyen, Ga Rhee, Jamie Russell)** who got their poster presentation, "California Pharmacy Schools: Minority Enrollment Trends and Barriers" accepted for the School Poster presentations at the AACP Annual Meeting in Anaheim, California on Saturday, July 23 from 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Anaheim Marriott.



May 10, 2016

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS: Touro University California College of Pharmacy is grateful to our partner Albertsons Safeway, Inc. for enabling us to award two \$1000 scholarships to students in our Pharm.D. program with an interest in community pharmacy practice. CONGRATULATIONS to Ahn Le (P2) and Hui Yu (Michelle) Kuang (P2)!



May 9, 2016

Congratulations to our master's students who did a great job with their research presentations today!



May 4, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Lucy Phan** for being named the Member of the Year by the Phi Lambda Sigma Gamma Omicron Chapter.



May 4, 2016



CONGRAULATIONS to **Dr. Joy Chaudhry** for being named Alumnus of the Year by the Phi Lambda Sigma Gamma Omicron Chapter.

PHI LAMBDA SIGMA: Congratulations to the following new initiatiates to this prestigious pharmacy leadership organization - Walid Aljayosi, Amrit Bains, Gurjit Bains, Alex Cullum, Diana De Vore, Xuan Vu Falah, Golnoush Golshan, Khin Htwe, Yuan Yih Eric Huang, Supannee Sandra Lertpaichiyon, Kathy Nguyen, Nam Andy Pham, Jeffrey Shu, Mehek Talwar, Danielle Thanh, Steven Tran, Bichuyen Winnie Trieu, and Hanuel Hannah Yang.



May 2, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to our Walgreens scholarship recipients for 2015-2016! Thao Tran (P1/Class of 2019) was awarded the Walgreens Diversity and Inclusion Excellence Award (\$2000). Hanuel Yang (P2/Class of 2018), Janet Chang (P3/Class of 2018), and Myan Tran (P4/Class of 2016) each received a Walgreens Diversity Scholarship (\$1000 each). We appreciate our longstanding partnership with Walgreens and its active role in promoting diversity and inclusivity in the pharmacy profession.



April 27, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Kristen Parker (P4/Class of 2016)** for being awarded an Indian Health Services PGY-1 residency at Whiteriver Indian Hospital in Arizona!



April 27, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Dr. Bijal Shah**, **Dr. Chad Bradford**, **Dr. Patricia Shane**, student pharmacists **Nicole Wachi (P4)** and **Kamy Sahota (P1)** for their team effort which resulted in a Platinum Award for their presentation, "Patient and Care Characteristics that Heighten Risk for 30-Day Readmission in Patients with Congestive Heart Failure." The Platinum level award was given to four projects out of over 500 abstracts presented at the 2016 AMCP Annual Meeting



April 20, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Winnie Trieu (P3)** who was accepted into the highly competitive VA Palo Alto's VALOR Program!





April 18, 2016

Kudos to **Sabah Mary Francis** for her presentation, "Screening of SHetA2 analogs on breast and prostrate cancer cells," at Research Day 2016. Together with her collaborators and mentors **Hongye Zou, Maggie Louie and Vani Rajagopalan**, they discovered two second generation SHetA2 analogs with significant growth inhibition properties that are accompanied by reduced expression of key cell cycle regulators. Contact **Dr. Vani Rajagoplan** and **Maggie Louie**, Associate Professors of Pharmaceutical Sciences, for additional information.



Kudos to **Paul Kuk** (MS-COP) for his presentation, "Codrug designs and synthesis of SHetA2 analogs as novel anticancer agents," at Research Day 2016. Together with his research mentor Dr. Shengquan Liu, Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, 13 new analogs were synthesized with improved yields using 4-nitrophenyl isothiocyanate reactions compared to previously used 4-nitrophenyl isocyanate reactions. For more information, contact Dr. Shengquan Liu.



April 18, 2016

Kudos to **Julia Nguyen** (MS-COP) for her presentation, "Transdermal drug delivery of tiagabine hydrochloride using solid microneedles," at Research Day 2016. Together with her research mentor Dr. Kevin Ita, Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, she achieved improved delivery of this antiepileptic drug in a porcine skin model system using microneedle-mediated delivery compared to passive delivery. Contact **Dr. Kevin Ita** for further information.



April 18, 2016

Kudos to **Johnny Liu** (MS-COP) for his presentation, "Development of a multi-antigen tuberculosis vaccine using the tobacco mosaic virus," at Research Day 2016. Together with collaborators Aisha Shakeel, Gladys Heard, Hardeep Kaur and mentor Dr. Alison McCormick, the team discovered that some of their multi-antigent vaccines elicit stronger immunological responses in mice compared to single antigen vaccines for most of the TB antigens tested, and that the addition of certain adjuvants can further improve the immune response. For further details, contact Dr. Alison McCormick.





April 15, 2016

Kudos to **Aisha Shakeel** (MS-COP) for her presentation, "Development of a multi-antigen subunit vaccine against tularemia," at Research Day 2016. Together with her research mentor, **Dr. Alison McCormick**, Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, they successfully prepared F. tularensis specific subunit vaccines using the tobacco mosaic virus (plant-based virus) as an antigen carrier, and demonstrated that they stimulate antigen specific immunity. Contact Dr. Alison McCormick for more details.



April 15, 2016

Kudos to **Marvin Ortanez** (MS-COP) for his presentation at Research Day 2016, "Confirmation of anabolic steroid abuse among homosexual men in the San Francisco Castro district." Co-authors included Drs. Bijal Shah (Associate Professor of Social, Behavioral and Administrative Sciences), Shadi Doroudgar (Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences), Paul Perry (Professor of Clinical Sciences), and Eric Ip (Chair of Clinical Sciences). Contact Dr. Eric Ip for more information.



April 15, 2016

COP'S GOT TALENT: Jonathan Trinh (Class of 2020) at Touro's Got Talent 2016.



April 13, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to the new 2016-2017 SNPhA Board Members: Jonathan Trinh (President), Joseph L. Lee (Vice President), Kim Vo (Secretary), Dieu Linh Thi Vo (VP of Finance), Roland Norona (Director of Public Relations), Christina Doan and Marianne Moussa (VPs of Community Outreach), Suneet Dhillon (Clinical Skills Competition Chair), Diya Manavalan, Jinah Huynh, Wande Samuel (Diabetes Initiative Chairs), Julia Lui, Ryan Hoh (Operation Immunization Chairs), Emiy Vuong, Tony Vu, Uyen Thai (Power to End Stroke Chairs), Roland Norona and Wazhma Manshour (Project KEEPSAKE (CKD) Chairs), Chau Huynh (Remember the Ribbon (HIV/AIDs), Danielle Fox (Legislative Chair).



April 13, 2016



CONGRATULATIONS to the members of the **new 2016-2017 ISPOR Executive Board: Jason Chao** (President), **Cindy Duong** (Vice President), **Kam Ta**m (VP Membership), **Nicholas Wong** (VP Communications), **Victor Mendoza** (Treasurer), **Ava Mahan** (Secretary), and **Nicole Luu, Kamalpreet Sahota**, and **Trang Tran** (Research Co-Directors).



April 12, 2016

TOURO'S GOT TALENT: Looking for something to do after Legislative Day? Join co-host **Vivian Dao** as Touro students and faculty showcase their talents on Wednesday, April 13 from 8-10 PM in the Lander Hall Auditorium. Cost: FREE.



April 9, 2016

Kudos to **Huong Nguyen** whose journal club summary on pioglitazone therapy was featured in the Quatra/CSHP first quarter newsletter! "Conclusion: Pioglitazone therapy showed superiority over placebo in reducing the composite of stroke/MI in patients who experienced a recent stroke, had no history of diabetes mellitus, but demonstrated objective evidence of insulin resistance. However, pioglitazone recipients were more likely to experience excessive weight gain, edema, and bone fracture leading to surgery or hospitalization."



April 8, 2016

Congratulations Michael Wong, JoAnna Souksavong, Jasmine Reber and Brigitte Ouabo (Class of 2016!

- MICHAEL WONG who matched for a PGY-1 academic track residency at Santa Clara Valley Health and Hospital System in San Jose, CA!
- JOANNA SOUKSAVONG who matched for a PGY-1 residency at Sutter Health in Oakland
 - JASMINE REBER who matched for a PGY-1 residency with Sutter Health in Oakland!
- <u>BRIGITTE OUABO</u> who matched for a PGY1-Community residency with Golden Gate Pharmacy!



April 8, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to <u>Sebastian Al-Saiegh</u> who matched for a PGY1 residency with the University of Toledo! It was his first choice in his chase for a tertiary care institution.





April 6, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to **Danielle Thanh (P1/Class of 2019)**, who was selected as a student representative on the ASHP Public Policy Council. We are very proud to have Touro represented on this national committee!



April 5, 2016

Best wishes to the **ISPOR research team** from Touro University California College of Pharmacy who will be presenting their poster, "A transitions of care collaboration between pharmacy academia and a community health system," which examines the role of transitional care pharmacists in reducing readmission rates, at the 21st annual international meeting in Washington, DC.



April 4, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to the newly elected P2 Class Board for next year: **Jonathan Trinh** (President); **Kamalpreet Sahota** (Curriculum Chair); **Christopher Yee & Emily Vuong** (Curriculum Reps); **Ryan Hoh & Julia Lui** (Finance Chair); **Tony Vu** (Historian); and **Mai Nguyen** (Social Chair).



April 3, 2016

CVS SCHOLARSHIPS: Thank you to CVS Health for allowing us to recognize outstanding students who have a strong desire to pursue careers and have experience in community pharmacy practice, and a commitment to serving underserved populations. Four \$1000 scholarships were awarded to: Brigitte Ouabo (P4/Class of 2016), Timothy Phan (P3/Class of 2017), Yamilette Mendez (P3/Class of 2017), and Thao Tran (P1/Class of 2019).

who was accepted in to the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP) Chapter Leadership Academy!



April 2, 2016



Visit representatives from TOURO UNIVERSITY CALIFORNIA at the 10th Annual Northern California Pre-Pharmacy Symposium. Presented by the UC Berkeley Pre-Pharmacy Informational Learning and Leadership Society (PILLS). **Dr. Susan Heimer, Mr. Tony Williams**, and **Jonathan Trinh (P1/Class of 2019)** from TUC COP will be providing information and free give-aways.

Sunday, April 3rd, 2016 | 8:30am-4:30pm | Stanley Hall at UC Berkeley



March 26, 2016

2016 "Script Your Trip" Video: Produced by I-Kuan Hsu (P3/Class of 2017) and Benjamin Yu (P3/Class of 2017) Link: https://youtu.be/DAXOz6aW6Z



March 26, 2016

MEDICATION ADHERENCE DAY: We obtained 398 pledges with over 62% of pledges from COP, 21% COM, 11% PA/MPH and 7% Nursing.

Student Ambassadors: Stefanie Navarro (P2), Jimin Lee (P1), Christina Doan (P1), Timothy Phan (P3), Jasmine Reber (P4) and Joanna Souksavong (P4)

Faculty Ambassadors: Drs. Kajua Lor and Emily Chan

Stoff Ambassadors: Ms. Pridate Canfield (SYE button greater) and Ms. Alica Panyour (Medication

Staff Ambassadors: **Ms. Bridget Canfield** (SYF button creator) and **Ms. Alisa Danyeur** (Medication Adherence Day Logistic Coordinator)



March 24, 2016

Congratulations to **Ashely Bulter (P4/Class of 2016),** PharmD/MPH candidate, who was awarded the United States Public Health Service (USPHS) Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Award. This award recognizes pharmacy students' contributions to the pharmacy profession and public health, and for advancing the Healthy People 2020 Initiatives.



March 20, 2016

Congratulations to **Yvette Barseghian (P3/Class of 2017)** who was awarded \$11,500 in scholarships from the Armenian Student Association, St. Mary Armenian Church (WED Fund), Armenian Relief



Society, and Union of Marash. **Dr. Alison McCormick**, Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, and **Dr. Gordon McCarter**, Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, provided letters of support.

March 18, 2016

Congratulations to

- 1. Vivian Nguyen PGY1 residency with Palomar Health in Escondido, CA!
- 2. Krista Ouellette PGY1 residency with Sharp Healthcare System in Chula Vista, CA!
- 3. <u>Kirsten Sorensen</u> PGY1 residency with Kaiser Permanente in Sacramento Valley!
 - 4. Annie Tran PGY1 residency with Kaiser Permanente in in Santa Clara!
- 5. <u>Steven Van</u> PGY1 residency at Cedars-Sinai Medical Care Foundation in Beverly Hills, CA!
 - 6. Phoua Vang PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente in Santa Rosa!
 - 7. Nicole Wachi PGY1 residency at Scripps Memorial Hospital in La Jolla!
 - 8. Flora Wong PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente in San Francisco!
 - 9. Wing Yuen PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente San Mateo in Redwood City, CA!

 10. Uven Nguyen PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente in San Jose!
 - 11. <u>Susie Manivanh</u> PGY1 residency at Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital in Washington!

 12. Ken Mak PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente in San Rafael!
 - 13. <u>Carmen Li</u> PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente Diablo Area in Martinez, CA! 14. <u>Sirena Lau</u> PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente in San Rafael!
 - 15. Leila Inting who matched for a PGY1 residency at Sutter Health in Oakland, CA!
- 16. <u>Amy Hwang</u> who matched for a PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente Napa Solano in Vallejo, CA!
 - 17. <u>Trinh Huynh</u> who matched for a PGY1 residency at Dignity Health Mercy Medical Center in Redding, CA!
- 18. <u>Aleyna Fong</u> who matched for a PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente San Mateo in Redwood City, CA!
 - 19. Shirley Feng who matched for a PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente in San Rafael!
 - 20. Amanda Do who matched for a PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente in Santa Clara!
 - 21. <u>Yunchen Ding</u> who matched for a PGY1 residency at Santa Clara Valley Health and Hospital Stystem in San Jose, CA!
- 22. Nishant Deo who matched for a PGY1 residency at Dignity Health St. Joseph's Medical Center in Stockton, CA!
 - 23. Stephanie Chin who matched for a PGY1 residency at TUC/Lifelong Medical Center!
 - 24. <u>Joyce Cheung</u> who matched for a PGY1 residency at Kaiser Permanente in San Jose, CA!
 - 25. <u>Sonya Babayan</u> who matched for a PGY1 residency at the Madigan Army Medical Center in Tacoma, WA!
 - 26. <u>Jackie Ho</u> who matched for a PGY2 residency at the VA Palo Alto Health Care System!
 27. <u>Ashley Butler</u> who matched for a PGY1 residency at the VA Northern California Health Care System in Mather, CA!



March 14, 2016

Congratulations to **Jason Xie**, **Kevin Cheung**, **Jinjing Cheng**, **and Andes Wong** who were among the Top 16 teams to make it to the semi-finals in the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP) National



Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Competition! An exceptional showing for a team made up of three P1s and a P2!



March 13, 2016

Congratulations to **Diana DeVore** (PharmD(P2)/MPH) and **Madelyn Garcia** (MPH) from Touro University California who were scholarship award honorees by the Solano Hispanic Chamber of Commerce last night.



March 12, 2016

Congratulations to **Dr. Adrian Palisoc**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, for getting his paper, "Relationship between Grit with Academic Performance and Attainment of Postgraduate Training in Pharmacy Students," accepted for publication in the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education. Coauthors on the paper include Drs. Jackie Ho (Class of 2015), Eric Ip, Terrill Tang, Paul Perry, and Rae Matsumoto.



March 10, 2016

Congratulations to **Golnoush Golshan (P2/Class of 2018)** for her paper, "Dengue-induced autophagy, virus replication and protection from cell death require ER stress (PERK) pathway activation," which is now published in Cell Death and Disease.



March 9, 2016

Congratulations to **Dr. Alicia Yeh** for being recognized as our resident who completed the most amount of service events/precepting for the first half of the residency year. Your dedication to Touro University and our students is greatly appreciated!



March 7, 2016



Congratulations to **Dr. Monica Donnelley**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, for getting her paper, "Isavuconazole in the treatment of invasive aspergillosis and zygomycosis infections," accepted for publiction in Infection and Drug Resistance.



March 4, 2016

Congratulations to **Diana De Vore (P2/Class of 2018)** for being awarded a \$1500 "Inspire Learning" Scholarship from the Solano Hispanic Chamber of Commerce!



March 3, 2016

Best wishes to **Drs. Layla Yousify and Carlos Rangel** as they move to Seattle, WA to be closer to family. We will miss you and Baby Aveen.



March 3, 2016

Best wishes to **Dr. Chad Bradford**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, as he begins his new position. We value all of his contributions to the Touro University California College of Pharmacy and will miss him from Sharp and our faculty.



March 3, 2016

Congratulations to **Punam Patel (P3/Class of 2017)** who will be representing Touro University California College of Pharmacy at the APhA-ASP National Patient Counseling Competition this week during the APhA Annual Meeting in Baltimore, MD. Best wishes!



February 28, 2016

A big THANK YOU to our alumni, **Haleh Sakkaki Azadnia** and **Nanik Hatsakorzian** who spent their day off interacting with students at our Open House!





February 28, 2016

Kudos to **Supannee Sandra Lertpaichaiyon** who worked with Senator Jeff Stone's office (the only pharmacist in the California Legislature) to issue a proclamation from the California Legislature declaring February 12 -21 as California Pharmacist Outreach Week, wherein CPhA chapters from all over the state conducted outreach events for the public.



February 28, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS TO SGA TRAVEL FUND SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES: Ten of the twenty SGA travel fund awards went to COP students: I-Kuan Hsu, Gabriela Young, Pamela Lekhter, Kathy Thanh Nguyen, Supannee Sandra Lertpaichaiyon, Lucas Chang, Khin Hwte, Jovanna Danielle Mercardo, Danielle Thanh, and Katherine Tran. Thanks for all you do and for being such great ambassadors for TUC COP!



February 26, 2016

Congratulations to **Gary Seun (P3/Class of 2017)** for getting a highly competitive rotation in the CDER Office of Compliance at the Food and Drug Administration as part of the FDA Pharmacy Student Experiential Program.



February 24, 2016

Congratulations to **Ashley Butler (P4/Class of 2016)**, PharmD/MPH candidate, for first-authoring a white paper on comprehensive medication management (CMM) for the California Department of Public Health. The topic serves as the basis of her keynote presentation at the upcoming APhA West Coast Pharmacy Exchange Conference. **Dr. Patricia Shane**, Professor of Social, Behavioral and Administrative Sciences in the College of Pharmacy mentored Ashley and is a co-author and co-presenter of this work.



February 23, 2016



Our proud tradition of leadership and service to Touro University California continues with the phenomenal COP students who were inducted into the Student Government Association (SGA) Board for 2016-2017:

- President Ava Mahan,
- · VP of Student Affairs Truc Huynh,
- VP of Social Affairs Cindy Duong,
- VP of Communications Uyen Thai,
- VP of Academic Affairs Christopher Yee,
 - VP of Alumni Affairs Sadaf Nawabi,
 - VP of Student Health Tran Nguyen.



February 21, 2016

CAPSLEAD returns to Northern California in 2016. Congratulations to the following students who will be representing Touro University California in this leadership training program for pharmacy students: Tran Lynn lee Huynh Nguyen, Christopher O. Yee, Pamela Lekhter, Brienna Andrews, Helen Berhane, Danielle Fox, Caroline Farr, and Gabriela Young. A big thank you to Drs. Vani Rajagopalan, Shadi Doroudgar, and Margaret Schulte who are organizing this year's event.



February 20, 2016

A great effort by the **Touro University California Script Your Future Team** of Jimin, Stefanie and Christina! Thank you to everyone who supported the College of Pharmacy!

THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR COMING OUT TO OUR MEDICATION ADHERENCE DAY GROUP PHOTO!

We have about ~400 total pledges!

TAKE THE PLEDGE TO TAKE YOUR MEDS AND SCRIPT YOUR FUTURE!

Photo credit to Gabe Chu - thank you! Help tag if you can :)



February 16, 2016



Congratulations to **Huong Nguyen and Eric Hsieh** who were selected for FDA rotations for 2016-2017! This is a very competitive rotation with students from all pharmacy shools in the US applying. The Touro University California College of Pharmacy continues to send two students a year to the FDA.



February 11, 2016

Did you see **Dr. Erip Ip**'s paper, "Infectious disease, injection practices, and risky sexual behavior among anabolic steroid users," which is now available online in AIDS Care? The project was completed in collaboration with co-authors **Michael Yadao** (master's student), Bijal Shah (associate professor), and Bonnie Lau (adjunct assistant professor).



February 6, 2016

Congratulations to **Drs. Chad Bradford, Kajua Lor and Nada Abou-Karam** for getting their paper, "Medication Regimen Complexity and Readmissions after Hospitalization for Heart Failure, Acute Myocardial Infarction, Pneumonia, and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease," accepted for publication in SAGE Open Medicine. **Dr. Abou-Karam**, a former resident with Sharp/Touro, is now a faculty member at USC.



February 4, 2016

Congratulations to the following teams who will be representing **Touro University California at the Student National Pharmaceutical Association meeting:**

- Clinical Skills Competition: Punam Patel and Jeff Shu
- Patient Counseling Competition: Jovana Mercad and Pamela Lekhter

The support and guidance of **Drs. Lauren Roller, Kajua Lor and Clipper Young**, who served as judges, are much appreciated!



February 2, 2016

Congratulations to **Sue le (P4/Class of 2016)** who has accepted a two-year fellowship in Health Information and Clinical Outcomes with Wolters Kluwer Health in Franklin, TN. The program is quite



unique as it is a partnership between Wolters Kluwer Health and Community Health Systems and it encompasses clinical outcomes research, health-system corporate administrative management, and health information technology.



February 1, 2016

Congratulations are also conveyed to the new 2016-2017 COP Board:

- COP Board President: Hannah Chuang
- VP of Academic Affairs: Joseph L Lee
- VP of Admissions: Candice Manabat
- VP of Alumni Affairs: Cindy Duong
 - VP of Archives: Dieu Linh Vo
- VP of Athletics: Andrew Robello
- VP of Communications: Pamela Lekhter
- VP of Community Outreach: Mai Nguyen
 - VP of Finance: Jovana Mercado
- VP of Social Affairs: Sukhvir (Sohniia) Kaur



February 1, 2016

Our proud tradition of contributing to the Touro University California community continues. Congratulations to the following P1 students who were newly elected to the Student Government Association (SGA) Board for 2016-2017:

- President Ava Mahan,
- VP of Student Affairs Truc Huynh,
- VP of Social Affairs Cindy Duong,
- VP of Communications Uyen Thai,
- VP of Academic Affairs Christopher Yee,
 - VP of Alumni Affairs Sadaf Nawabi
 - VP of Student Health Tran Nguyen.



January 31, 2016



Best wishes and congratulations to **Sapna Chhagan (P4/Class of 2016)** who accepted a Rutger's Pharmaceutical Industry Fellowship at Novartis Pharmaceuticals in East Hanover, NJ. Her fellowship is in Translational Clinical Oncology and she will be moving to New Jersey after graduation.



January 31, 2016

Congratulations to **Eric Wager (P4/Class of 2016)** for being awarded a USC-Allergan Global Pharmacutical Sciences Fellowship! It was his top ranked program and he will begin his training in Irvine, CA this summer..



January 30, 2016

Congratulations to **Jackie Ho**, Class of 2015, who was awarded the American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP) Student Literature/Research Award. Each year, ASHP grants one nationwide award to a pharmacy student. We are very proud that this year, it went to a Touro University California student for her paper, "Implementation of an accelerated physical examination course in a doctor of pharmacy program: A flipped approach," which was published in the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education together with her faculty mentors and co-authors, Drs. Eric Ip, Monica Bidwal, Ingrid Lopes and Bijal Shah.

Her acceptance video can be found at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ur3QiRdXZsU



October 22, 2015

Alumni Highlight and Scholarship Opportunity!

Dr. Richie Duenas - Touro University California College of Pharmacy Class of 2009

Guest speaker - Dr. Richie Duenas, Touro University California Class of 2009, CEO, Mercury Distribution

October 22, 2015 - 12 noon

Come and learn about a new scholarship that <u>Dr. Richie Duenas</u> has donated to the College of Pharmacy. He will share his professional journey and commitment to developing future pharmacists and under-served citizens of Vallejo.





September 18, 2015

Congratulations to 4th-year pharmacy students **Amanda Do and Annie Tran** on winning the **2015 Touro University College of Pharmacy's Clinical Skills Competition**. They will be representing our school at both the state CSHP Seminar Meeting in San Diego next month and national ASHP Midyear Meeting (in New Orleans) in December.

Below are the top 3 teams:

- 1. Annie Tran & Amanda Do
- 2. Yunchen Ding & Catherine Chang
- 3. Joanna Souksavong & Jasmine Reber

Special thanks to students **Hannah Yang and Alex Cullum (lead organizers)** for making yesterday's event run so smoothly. Lastly, special thanks to **Dr. Emily Chan, Dr. Monica Donnelley, Dr. Michelle Healy and Dr. Jeremiah Duby** for judging the competition and staying till the very end!

Regards,

Dr. Lindfelt and Dr. Kirkpatrick



August 24, 2015

Results of the ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge

Dear Touro Students -

Thank you to everyone for participating in the ACCP Clinical Pharmacy Challenge! Also, a big thank you to the ACCP student board members for putting on such a successful event.

All of the exams have been graded and I'm excited to announce the winners. Please help me congratulate the following students:

1st Place: (3050 points): **Sebastian Al-Saeigh**, **Ken Mak**, and **Steven Van** 2nd place (3025 points): Aleyna Fong, Ashley Butler, Megan Pokorney

As you can tell, it was a close competition! Great job everyone and good luck to Sebastian, Ken, and Steven during the national competition!

Have a great evening,
Dr. Baumgartner
Laura Baumgartner, PharmD, BCPS



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Assistant Professor, Department of Clinical Sciences Touro University California College of Pharmacy Clinical Pharmacist, Trauma San Francisco General Hospital & Trauma Center



July 26, 2015

SNPhA Touro University California College of Pharmacy chapter wins the Chauncey I. Cooper Chapter of Excellence Award (Small chapter)

Dear SNPhA advisors Drs. Lor and Rajagopalan,

It is my honor to bring the news to you that SNPhA Touro University California College of Pharmacy chapter has won the Chauncey I. Cooper Chapter of Excellence Award for the small chapter category (< 50 members) at this weekend's SNPhA National Convention 2015.

Rite Aid has generously given \$5000 to our chapter for our projects after seeing our tremendous work over the year.

There are so many people to thank and credit for this award and I can't thank you both enough for your support.

I hope to thank our members via email soon.

Most sincerely,
Jessica Chen
SNPhA chapter president 2014-2015



July 21, 2015

P4 Student Jasmine Reber appointed to the ACCP National Student Network Advisory Committee

Jasmine Reber was appointed as a Member-at-Large to the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP) 2015-2016 National Student Network Advisory Committee.

https://www.accp.com/stunet/advisoryCommittee.aspx

P3 student Jessica Chen - Finalist for the JB Hills Chapter President of the Year

Jessica Chen is a finalist for the JB Hills Chapter President of the Year which "is awarded to an outstanding chapter president who exemplifies leadership inside and outside of their chapter, scholarship, and most importantly, integrity to help lead [the] organization to greater success."



http://snpha.org/2015-chapter-president-of-the-year-candidates/



June 17, 2015

Congratulations to Jessica Chen & her team - Top 3 finalists for the SNPhA/Rite Aid Chauncey I. Cooper Chapter of the Year Award

Dear student pharmacists,

A hearty congratulations to Jessica Chen (President) and her team for being nominated as one of the **Top 3 finalists** for the **SNPhA/Rite Aid Chauncey I. Cooper Chapter of the Year Award**.

Jessica and her team will be presenting at the SNPhA National Conference on July 25, 2015 in Orlando, FL.

Congratulations!

Best, Dr. Lor SNPhA Faculty Advisor

Dr. Kajua B. Lor, PharmD, BCACP

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April 22, 2015

Announcing Winners of the National SNPhA Clinical Skills Competition

Congratulations to all students who participated in the National SNPhA Clinical Skills Competition.

Special thanks to Drs. Clipper Young, Nada Abou-Karam (judges) and Ms. Alisa Danyeur (patient).

Results:



1st place: Annie Tran (P3) & Amanda Do (P3) 2nd place: Punam Patel (P2) & Jeffrey Shu (P2) 3rd place: Catherine Chang (P3) & Yun Chen Ding (P3)

Best of luck at the National Meeting in Florida!

Warmest Regards,

Dr. Lor

Dr. Kajua Betsy Lor, PharmD, BCACP

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March 30, 2015

Congratulations to Punam Patel (PharmD candidate 2017) and Jasmine Reber (Pharm.D., Masters of Public Health Candidate 2016) - winners of the 2014-2015 recipient of the ASHP Student Leadership Award!

On behalf of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) and the ASHP Research and Education Foundation, congratulations on being selected as a 2014-2015 recipient of the ASHP Student Leadership Award! Because of your interest in health-system pharmacy and demonstrated leadership, you have been identified as a student who represents the very best attributes and accomplishments of ASHP student members. The selection process was rigorous and competitive. We commend you for being among the twelve recipients selected from a pool of highly qualified applicants from across the country. We are proud to present you with the following award package:

(1) Plaque

- (2) \$2,000 cash award provided by the ASHP Research and Education Foundation
- (3) Drug information library consisting of the following publications (total value over \$1000!)

This honor is an investment in your career as well as the profession's future. You will be recognized throughout the year via many different ASHP and ASHP Foundation communications, including newsletters, e-mails, and the Web.



Again, congratulations on your many accomplishments and being named a recipient of a 2013-2014 ASHP Student Leadership Award. We hope that you will continue to be involved with ASHP and the ASHP Foundation throughout your time in school and following graduation.

Best Regards,

Diana L. Dabdub
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March 13, 2015

Hello everyone,

Here are the **Script Your Future (SYF) Medication Adherence Challenge Results** from January/February 2015.

Overall Results: Our Team reached a total of 10,330 persons through 8 community events and 6 partnerships with organizations across Northern California. We increased the number of patients reached by 3.8-fold from 2,687 in 2014 to 10,330 in 2015 and distributed over 2,078 wallet cards.

P3/P4/Masters Student Outreach Competition Results

- 1st Place: Katie Nguyen with 534 wallet cards distributed
- 2nd Place: Thao Le Tran with 495 wallet cards distributed.

Thank you to our Script Your Future Liaisons.

- 1. **Contra Costa Farmer's Market**: Winnie Trieu, Soha Araji, Delaram Rostami, Heidi Israel, Frezghi Haile, Elham Eftekhari, Tin Nguyen, Xuan Falah, Tim Phan, Karena Ho, Nicholas Alonzo, Michelle Kuang, Golnoush Golshan, Walid Aliavousi, Kevin Staib
- 2. **Eskaton Senior Living Health and Wellness:** Janet Chang, I-Kuan Hsu, Cathy Liang, Kevin Ge, Vivian Li, Ariel Dunn, Karena Ho, Sepideh Garmroudi, Stephanie Hong, Henry Lo
- 3. **Florence Douglas Center:**: Jessica Chen, Andes Wong, Binh Thai, Kathy Nguyen, Helen Chiu, Xuan Falah, Roger Tanioka, Sylvia Wojdyla, Hannah Yang, Mitchell Lienemann, Nicholas Alonzo
- 4. **Berkeley Suitcase Clinic:** Chia Teoh, Dzung Tran-Huynh, Lucy Phan, Tim Phan, Sarah Ferrer, Monica Rhee, Karena Ho, Catherine Cho, Binh Thai, Khin Htwe, Helen Chiu
 - 5. Men's Overnight Shelter: Brian Louie, Kevin Ge, Gurjit Baines, Walid Aljayousi, Tim Phan
- 6. **Vallejo Farmer's Market:** Stefanie Navarro, Trexie Olivar, JoAnna Souksavong, Richard Alcera 7. **Vallejo Participatory Budget Meeting:** Tim Phan, Yami Mendez, Sandra Lertpaichaiyon
- 8. **VSPA Sacramento Tet Festival:** Linda Ly, Dzung Tran-Huynh, Winnie Trieu, Tim Phan, Kalvin Lam, Nancy Pham, Tamana Ahmadi, Sarah Ferrer, Tracy Nguyen, Katie Ho
- 9. **Faculty/staff involvement** Drs. <u>Eric Ip, Monica Bidwal, Melissa Kirkpatrick, Kelan Thomas, Shadi Doroudgar, Clipper Young, Terri Wong.</u>

Special thanks to the Script Your Future Student Ambassadors:

- P2 Student Ambassador & Award Writer: Timothy Phan (P2)
- P3/P4 Student Ambassadors: Dylan Mezzio (P4) and Huynh Nga Vo (P4)



Regardless of the national award results, I am proud of our service to the community on medication adherence. Looking forward to the Script Your Future Challenge next year.

Best,

Dr. Kajua B. Lor, PharmD, BCACP

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February 3, 2015

Katrina Zywiec selected to present at AMCP 2015 Leadership Academy

Congratulations **Katrina Zywiec (P2)**! for being selected to present at the **AMCP 2015 Chapter Leadership Academy roundtable session**. Touro University California has been asked to present 4 times out of 4 years.

Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 2-6:30pm, San Diego, California

Great Job!

<u>Dr. Lucinda Chan</u>

Director of Experiential Education Touro University California College of Pharmacy



January 22, 2015

Congratulations Leila Inting - Winner of the Touro University APhA-ASP Patient Counseling Competition 2015

I am pleased to announce the winner of the local **Touro University APhA-ASP Patient Counseling Competition 2015** is P3 **Leila Inting**! I would also like to congratulate P3 **Aleyna Fong** as the runner-up and P4 **James Tanedo** achieving 3rd place.

A thanks to all competitors for participating including two P1 students. All competitors will be receiving a prize from APhA as well so stay tuned.



I would like to thank **Drs.** Monica Bidwal and Brigette Lofholm for judging the competition, Dr. Sasaki-Hill for supporting the students, and Ms. Alisa Danyeur for being our patient again this year. Lastly, I would like to thank **Tony Nguyen**, Janet Chang, and Gloria Lee for ensuring the competition ran smoothly.

Adrian Jason Palisoc, Pharm.D., BCPS
Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences
Touro University California College of Pharmacy
Clinical Pharmacist
Kaiser Permanente Vallejo Medical Center
Alameda Health System- Highland Campus



Congratulations to Kevin Carrasco, Steve Kim, and Ben Malcolm for winning the 2013 CPhA Quiz Bowl in competition with 7 other CA schools of pharmacy

With exams starting the following Monday, Touro's P1 and P2 students had to leave the meeting before the Quiz Bowl. Touro's P3 Ben Malcolm and P4s Kevin Carrasco and Steve Kim were the only PharmD students left. Even though they were outnumbered by the students representing the other schools, the Touro team won first place. Faculty members Dr. Keith Yoshizuka, Dr. Tony Chou, and Dr. Layla Yousify cheered the team on and sent this message and photo.

We are very proud of our 3 students for representing our school and exemplifying the high caliber or work, effort, and dedication that Touro University stands for.



Design submitted by Touro University California's Chapter of the International Society for Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research (ISPOR) is selected as the official T-shirt design for this year's ISPOR International Meeting in New Orleans

The design, chosen from among several submissions, was inspired by the Jazz culture of New Orleans. The motif pays homage to the vintage Blue Note Jazz album covers of the 1940s and '50s.

Ideas came from contributors Dylan Mezzio, Eric Wager, Brendan Kelly, Tran Nguyen, Jessica Ly, and Bryan Nakamura. Much of the credit must go to Chris Johnson, Eric Wager's friend, who helped transform the ideas into the winning graphic for the back of the T-shirt.

In addition to the \$100 award, the design gives credit to the Chapter, and will serve as a great way to make a name for Touro University California at the International Conference.

Touro University California's Phi Lambda Sigma (PLS) chapter, Gamma Omicron, has received national recognition and been awarded chapter of the year.



It is a great honor to receive this award and will ultimately inspire our chapter to continue hard work in further leadership development among the profession of pharmacy. The award was presented during the American Pharmacists Association Annual meeting March 1-4, 2013, in Los Angeles.

Phi Lambda Sigma is a pharmacy honor society with a mission of fostering and recognizing leadership in the profession of pharmacy. The Gamma Omicron chapter was established at TUC in 2009.

Special thanks and recognition goes to the 2011-2012 PLS Executive Cabinet (Kevin Carrasco, Keri Hurley, Raymond Chow, and Kristin Wong), PLS Faculty Advisors (Dr. Terrill Tang and Dr. Linda Banares), 2012-2013 Executive Cabinet (David Lash, Sukhpal Cheema, Trinh Nguyen, and Ben Malcolm), all chapter members, and to Dean Katherine Knapp.

For more information about PLS visit http://www.philambdasigma.org/ or to view information regarding our chapter visit our page on TUstudentlife.com. If you'd like to reach out to PLS we can be contacted at PLSexecutivecabinet@googlegroups.com

Provided by Ben Malcolm

PLS Gamma Omicron Chapter President



October 2013

1st Place CSHP Clinical Skills Competition



March 2013

John Hopkins Summer Intership Program

Phi Lambda Sigma Outstanding Chapter of the Year

1st Place in the CPhA Quiz Bowl Competition



March 18, 2013

Congratulations to **Krisma DesPortes**, P2, PharmD/MPH Candidate, has been awarded the prestigious Navy Grad School Scholarship!



She is the first student from Touro University California's CEHS Public Health Program and College of Pharmacy to do so. Her scholarship will provide up to \$134,600, including monthly salary and housing allowance for two years.

Upon her graduation in 2015, Krisma will embark on a mission to provide leadership and expertise to support our country, the men and women who defend it, their families and the world at large. She may be required either: to lead personnel at one of the highly acclaimed National Naval Medical Centers in Bethesda, Maryland, Portsmouth, Virginia, or San Diego, California; or to provide administrative support aboard an aircraft carrier, one of two dedicated hospital ships (the USNS Comfort or USNS Mercy) orin Naval operational units worldwide.



October 2012

Top 10 APhA National Patient Counseling Competition

1st Place in the CSHP Quiz Bowl Competition



February 2011

1st Place CPhA Patient Counseling Competition



Previous Awards 2008-2011

Highest pass rate on California State Board Exam (2010)

1st Place in the CSHP Quiz Bowl (2009 & 2010)

1st Place in the CSHP Clinical Skills Competition (2009 & 2010)

1st Place tie for research poster (2010)

1st Place in CSHP Student Chapter Size (2009)

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1st Place in CSHP Student Chapter Retention (2009)

1st Place in the CPhA Quiz Bowl (2008)