



TOURO UNIVERSITY CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF PHARMACY
NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS (2019)

19-MAY-2019

- (9AM to 11:30AM) - **Touro University California College of Pharmacy 2019 Commencement** @The Grove Amphitheater, Touro University Campus, 1310 Club Drive, Vallejo, California. For more information - <https://www.facebook.com/events/389426998279136/>

27-APRIL-2019

- **Anthony Williams** (Recruiter) @**San Diego State University Aztec Pre-Professional Health Conference**, San Diego, California / Email: Anthony.williams@tu.edu

18-APRIL-2019

- **Anthony Williams**, Recruiter @**UC Riverside Grad School Fair**, Riverside, California / Email: Anthony.williams@tu.edu

17-APRIL-2019

- (5:30-8PM) - **A Mosaic Celebration: Diversity Scholarship Fundraiser** @Farragut Inn, Vallejo, California. <https://www.facebook.com/events/250037585881360/> ... *Join TUC faculty, staff, students, alumni and donors at its Mosaic Celebration fundraiser recognizing and supporting the academic achievement of students who, through their range of cultural experiences, contribute to inclusive excellency at the University. The event includes both a silent and live auction, raffle prizes, a hosted bar and heavy hors d'oeuvres. All proceeds from this event support TUC's diversity student scholarships with the goal of diversifying the number of healthcare and educational professionals to reflect the increasing diversity of the community. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit: <https://advancement.tu.edu/mosaic-2019>.*

16-APRIL-2019

- **Anthony Williams**, Recruiter @**UC Irvine Health Professions Graduate School Fair** (<https://career.uci.edu/recruiters/graduate-school-fairs-recruiters/>) , Irvine, California / Email: Anthony.williams@tu.edu

6-APRIL-2019

- **Anthony Williams**, Recruiter @**UC Berkeley PILLS Conference** (<https://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~pills/>) Berkeley, California / Email: Anthony.williams@tu.edu



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20-MARCH-2019

- (6-7PM, PST) - Touro University California College of Pharmacy will host a **one-hour live webinar** that will feature information about its doctorate of pharmacy. This webinar affords prospective students the opportunity to engage, explore, ask questions, hear from faculty, alumnus, students in our program and University Admissions. Join from PC, Mac, Linus, iOS or Android. URL – <https://zoom.us/j/6454950002> , Questions? Contact **Anthony Williams**, Anthony.williams@tu.edu

15-MARCH-2019

- **Anthony Williams**, Recruiter @UC Davis, Davis, California / Email: Anthony.williams@tu.edu

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7-MARCH-2019

- **CONGRATULATIONS to the Class of 2018 for their outstanding performance on the NAPLEX.** Their board pass rate is significantly higher than the national average and among the top in California!
- **POSTER DAY 2019:** Kudos for the great work and fantastic presentations by our P1 and P2 Doctor of Pharmacy students! **A big thank you also goes out to all of the faculty and APPE students who helped evaluate the presentations!** This year's poster day was organized by **Dr. David Evans**, Professor of Biological Sciences, and **Dr. Kevin Ita**, Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- **Dr. Monica Donnelley**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences and TUC COP alumni, promoting pharmacy in a KUIC radio commercial.
- **BIG GAME:** Proud to have representing COP on the TUC team **Bryan Okereke** and **Raphael Sotelo**.

5-MARCH-2019

- **COP POSTER DAY:** You are invited to our annual COP Poster Day, on Thursday, March 7, 2019! Our P1 and P2 students will present 36 posters on the topic of **“Hypertension and Stroke: Pathogenesis and Therapeutic Advances”** from 12 noon–3:00 pm in the Lander Hall gym. Have you ever wondered about the research being conducted to advance our understanding and develop novel treatment modalities for hypertension as well as stroke?



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Answers to these questions and more will be presented by our students, along with coffee and cookies for attendees.

4-MARCH-2019

- **10th Annual Big Game Basketball Tournament – The TUN Matadors vs. the TUC Bulls!**
Lander Hall Gymnasium, Touro University California, 1310 Club Drive, Vallejo, California.
- <https://www.facebook.com/events/1294184010738458/> . Livestream link - <http://tu.edu/biggame/>

27-FEBRUARY-2019

- **BIG GAME COMING UP:** Hosted at TUC this year
- Beautiful view just outside of the meeting area at the **American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) INVolve meeting** in Tampa, FL.

21-FEBRUARY-2019

- A big thank you to our P4 rotation students, **Scott Huang, Jimin Lee, Kevin Cheung, and Cindy Duong** for sharing their insights with members of the incoming Class of 2023 during our recent mixer.
- KUDOS to **Dr. Jeremiah Duby**, Associate Professor of Clinical Sciences, for his commendable contributions at the Annual Congress for the Society of Critical Care Medicine. He served as session moderator for "Bedside Pharmacologic Management," a pre-Congress Symposium, as well as a speaker for two presentations, "Focusing Fire or Watchful Waiting: Substance Withdrawal in the ICU" and "How We Miss Withdrawal in the ICU."

20-FEBRUARY-2019

- KUDOS to **Dr. Monica Donnelley**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, who presented, "Mysteries of History: Decoding Patient Drug Allergies," at the Annual Congress for the Society of Critical Care Medicine.
- KUDOS to **Dr. Lauren Roller**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, for moderating a session at the Annual Congress for the Society of Critical Care Medicine with two of the leading, world experts on corticosteroid use in the ICU: Stephen Pastores, MD, FACP, FCCP, FCCM and Bram Rochweg, MD, MSc, FRCPC.
- Proud of TUC's Doctor of Pharmacy graduate **Diana DeVore** (Class of 2018), who is now a PGY1 resident at USC. Looking forward to see her speak in Seattle.

19-FEBRUARY-2019

- KUDOS to **Dr. Laura Baumgartner**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, and her colleagues, for their paper, "Impact of Antipsychotic Therapy on QTc Prolongation in Critically Ill Patients," which was accepted for publication in *Annals of Pharmacotherapy*.



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- Thank you to **Drs. Susan Heimer, Gordon McCarter, Kevin Ita, Rolly Kali-Rai, Vista Khosraviani, and Adrian Wong** for doing a fantastic job representing the TUC COP faculty at the Class of 2023 Mixer this past Sunday!

17-FEBRUARY-2019

- Thank you to our wonderful Doctor of Pharmacy students who participated in today's **Mixer for the incoming Class of 2023!** It was also great to have our Touro Bull join the festivities.
- Proud to have **Jonathan Trinh** representing Touro University California as a student panelist at the Southern California Pre-Pharmacy Symposium!
- KUDOS to **Dr. Monica Donnelley**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Sciences, who also presented a talk at the Society of Critical Care Congress. Antibiotics Shiny and New?
- KUDOS to **Dr. Lauren Roller** and **Dr. Laura Baumgartner**, Assistant Professors of Clinical Sciences, who are session moderators at the Society of Critical Care Medicine.
- CONGRATULATIONS to **Dr. Terry Pang** (Class of 2017), who is now a PGY2 Critical Care resident at Froedart Hospital in Wisconsin. Today, he did a great job presenting his research project titled "Evaluation of aPTT and anti-Xa in heparin anticoagulation in immediate post-VAD implantation" at the Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) Conference in San Diego, CA.

16-FEBRUARY-2019

- KUDOS to **Dr. Eric Ip**, Chair of Clinical Sciences, and his colleagues, for their paper, "The CASTRO study: Unsafe sexual behaviors and illicit drug use among gay and bisexual men who use anabolic steroids," which was published in the American Journal on Addictions.
- **SNPhA Clinical Skills Competition.** Congratulations **Janessa Cariaga (P2)** and **Daniel Lopez (P1)**. Thank you to the following participants – **Angela Van (P1), Kimberly Seng (P1) and Radha Sampley (P3), Jesse Nguyen (P3)**. Special recognition to **Dr. Herzik** for providing SNPhA with a patient case.
- KUDOS to **Dr. Rae Matsumoto, Dean**, and her colleagues, for their paper, "Benzimidazolone-based selective σ_2 receptor ligands: Synthesis and pharmacological evaluation," which was published in the European Journal of Medicinal Chemistry.
- **BADGE ACCESS TO BUILDINGS:** Beginning March 11, please remember that you will need your badge to gain access to campus buildings. Please check your email for instructions for obtaining a replacement badge, if needed.

15-FEBRUARY-2019

- CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who will be representing Touro University California in the **AMCP P&T competition: Stephanie Salcedo, Janessa Cariaga, April Mancilla, and Charles Yun**. A big thank you also goes out to our fearless judges: **Drs. Raj Ghandi, Stephanie Lu, Adrian Wong and David Malewski**.



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- KUDOS to **Dr. Nathalie Bergeron**, Chair and Professor in Biological Sciences, and her colleagues, for their paper, "Effects of red meat, white meat and non-meat protein sources on atherogenic lipoprotein measures in the context of low vs. high saturated fat intake: a randomized controlled trial," which was accepted for publication in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition.
- **PAWS from studying** - ACCP promoting student wellness before block exams
- **Dr. Shadi Doroudgar** - Speaking on "Integrating Pharmacy Students in a Fast Paced Clinic Setting" at the CSHP 2019 Pacific Coast Preceptor Conference
- Pride in our Doctor of Pharmacy students, **Helen Berhane and Tatiana Ouabo**, who spoke so eloquently about their service in the community at the university's recent event at **Wooden Valley Winery** to thank donors for their support of diversity scholarships at TUC.
- Touro University California Receives **Local's Choice Award Humanitarian in Solano County** in Local Happenings Magazine
- KUDOS to **Dr. Shadi Doroudgar**, Associate Professor of Clinical Sciences, who has been invited to participate on the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists (CPNP) Consumer Relations Committee.
- KUDOS to **Dr. Jeremiah Duby**, Associate Professor of Clinical Sciences, who will be a session moderator, speaker, committee member, and facilitator at the upcoming Congress for Society of Critical Care Medicine.

27-JANUARY-2019

- **CONFIDENCE THROUGH EXPERIENCE: meet Kimberly Bohnert, College of Pharmacy Class of 2019**
 - *From coordinating medication with physicians and nurses to discovering what pills a patient is taking on their own, Kimberly Bohnert, student doctor of pharmacy class of 2019, is experiencing firsthand what it means to be pharmacist. Having grown up in a family of mom and pop pharmacists, Ms. Bohnert says that she always felt that she had a place in pharmacy, and after ten years of teaching high school biology in San Mateo, she decided that it was time to change careers and answer the lingering question of "what if?"*
 - *As she completes her second year of clinical rotations, Ms. Bohnert is beginning to see who she is in the role of the pharmacist. She has gained experience that ranges from neighborhood pharmacies to hospitals and emergency medicine. "It helped me to really understand how the role of the pharmacist is right there on the front lines," said Ms. Bohnert of her emergency room rotation in east Oakland, "being part of the action with the doctors, surgeons, and nurses, anticipating what drugs will be needed and discussing the next course of action." But for Ms. Bohnert, those front lines are not just about facing trauma and the ability to make the quick, correct decision. Ensuring that a patient in recovery pays zero dollars for their medication is just as important—a skill that she's honed at another rotation at the Walgreens pharmacy at University of California San Francisco. Ms. Bohnert starts by running a test claim on a patient's medication to see what gets rejected by insurance. She then calls the physician for an explanation as to why the patient requires that specific medication and cannot take a replacement. By filling in the necessary paperwork between the patient's recovery and discharge, Ms. Bohnert is able to alleviate much if not all of the financial burden of medication. "It takes a lot of work to make sure that patients are fully covered for their medication," explains Ms.*



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Bohnert. "But it's well worth it." Now on her final year of the College of Pharmacy's uniquely designed 2+2 program, which entails two years of didactic study and two years of clinical rotations, she feels prepared, and it shows. "In the first year, you're so nervous and unsure of yourself," said Ms. Bohnert. "But as that second year unravels, you realize that you've grown into something that is more confident. You make decisions quicker and begin to engage with your preceptors as people. The additional year of experience really makes the difference."

23-JANUARY-2019

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21-JANUARY-2019

- It was great seeing familiar faces and meeting new ones at **UCI's 6th annual pre-pharmacy day!**
- TUC Doctor of Pharmacy students providing services at the **Millbrae Senior Showcase**.
- "The time is always right to do what is right." Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.