Letter from the Dean

May 11, 2017

Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the University of Houston College of Pharmacy family, I extend a sincere congratulations and best of luck to the college’s Class of 2017. You have been exceptional representatives of the College and University. I have no doubt that you will continue to serve as worthy ambassadors for the college by building upon our reputation for excellence.

I believe that graduates of the College of Pharmacy are unique in that, regardless of your chosen area of practice, all of you have the opportunity to enrich the lives of those around you. As you embark upon and progress through your careers, I urge you to always remember why you chose your respective field and the sacrifices that you endured in order to make it happen: to serve our communities and improve the quality of life and health of its members with compassion, honesty and integrity.

I would also like to give special thanks to the parents, spouses, children and friends of our graduates for their patience, understanding, sacrifices and support – both moral and financial – during these challenging, but rewarding, years at the college. Although your guidance, comfort and encouragement certainly will continue to be sought and appreciated in the years to come, you can rejoice in the gradual return to “normalcy” with no more long nights of studying, get-togethers unattended and trips undertaken. Yet, even more so, you can relish the shared feeling of pride in what your graduate has accomplished and the abundant opportunities ahead.

In the coming years, I would ask that you not forget your college, former professors, and fellow and future Cougars. I encourage you to not only give back to the college by supporting college activities, programs and scholarships, but also by keeping us updated on the many achievements you will experience in your careers and personal lives. We will always take great pride in your achievements.

Congratulations again to the graduates of our professional and graduate programs. The entire UH College of Pharmacy family is very proud of you.

Take care,

F. Lamar Pritchard, Ph.D.
Dean, University of Houston College of Pharmacy
University of Houston
College of Pharmacy

Convocation
Thursday, May 11, 2017, 9 a.m.
Cullen Performance Hall

CONVOCATION MARSHALS
Elizabeth Coyle
Assistant Dean for Assessment
Louis Williams
Associate Professor

GOLDEN COUGARS CLASS OF 1967
Thomas N. Cammack, Jr.
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Royce E. Jackson
Charles E. Janak
Raul Martinez, Jr.
Ramiro Perez
Jerry A. Thiem

BANNER BEARER
Caitlin Thuy-Khanh Le
Marissa Sarah Blumenthal

CANDIDATES

PLATFORM PARTY
WELCOME
F. Lamar Pritchard
Dean

STUDENT RESPONSE
Nora Farhat Alzibden

PRESENTATION & HOODING
OF PH.D. CANDIDATES
Dean Pritchard

PRESENTATION & HOODING
OF M.S. CANDIDATES
Dean Pritchard

RECOGNITION OF HONORS
Andrea J. Smesny
Executive Associate Dean

PRESENTATION & HOODING
OF PHARM.D. CANDIDATES
Dean Pritchard

RECOGNITION OF GOLDEN COUGAR
CLASS OF 1967
Dean Pritchard

OATH OF A PHARMACIST
Andrea J. Smesny
Executive Associate Dean

RECESSIONAL
Oath of a Pharmacist

I promise to devote myself to a lifetime of service to others through the profession of pharmacy.

In fulfilling this vow:

*I will* consider the welfare of humanity and relief of suffering my primary concerns.

*I will* apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for my patients.

*I will* respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me.

*I will* accept the lifelong obligation to improve my professional knowledge and competence.

*I will* hold myself and my colleagues to the highest principles of our profession’s moral, ethical and legal conduct.

*I will* embrace and advocate changes that improve patient care.

*I will* utilize my knowledge, skills, experiences and values to prepare the next generation of pharmacists.

I take these vows voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public.
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CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

Spring and Summer 2017

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHARMACY LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION

Ashley Adams
Evaluating the Impact of an Interdisciplinary Academic Patient Aligned Care Team on Patients and Trainees Within a Veterans Affairs Academic Medical Center
ADVISOR: Dr. Catherine Hatfield

Amanda Beck
Incorporating Pharmacy Services Into Ambulatory Care, a Pilot Study
ADVISOR: Dr. Kevin Garey

Joshua Blackwell
Impact of Using Electronic Health Records to Improve the Rate of Discharge Counseling in a Quaternary Academic Medical Center
ADVISORS: Dr. Divya Varkey and Dr. David Wallace

Amanda Grego
Impact of an Automated Dispensing Cabinet-Regulated Community Insulin Vial Pilot Program on Inventory Cost
ADVISOR: Dr. Matthew Wanat

An Le
Association Between the Performance of Patient-Centered Clinical Activities and Employee Engagement in Hospital Pharmacists
ADVISOR: Dr. Kimberly Birtcher

Claire McClain
Implementation of a Pharmacy Student-Led Medication History Program in a Large, Tertiary Pediatric Emergency Center
ADVISOR: Dr. Juliana Fernandez

Laura Stokes
Evaluation of a Pharmacy-Led Bedside Medication Delivery Service at a Comprehensive Cancer Center
ADVISOR: Dr. Rajender Aparasu

DOCTOR OF PHILosophy in PHARMACEUTICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES and POLICY

Archita Bhansali
Breast Cancer Chemoprevention Among Women: Effect of Involvement and Message Format
ADVISOR: Dr. Sujit S. Sansgiry

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Lidia Adamache
Nora Farhat Alzibdeh
Shireen Ashouri
Noris E. Benitez
Marissa Sarah Blumenthal
Brandon Rudolph Casarez
Jill Chao
Melanie Lok-Kwan Cheng
Rose Cherian
Maggie Onkei Chu
Natalie Doan Chu
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Michael T. Dinh
Jennie P. Do
Tran Do
Vivian Si Dong
Ha My Duong
Lisa Marie Fischer
Krutina Patel Garcia
Dipu George
Alan Gracia
Shuashuai Guo
Katie Elizabeth Hay
Nicole Elaine Ho
Thien Kim Ho
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College of Pharmacy

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Nhu Huynh
Chiemeka Uzoma Ike
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Stella Kim
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Justin Thomas Wayne Lankford
Alan Lara
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Bao Tran Nguyen Le ³
Caitlin Thuy-Khanh Le ³
Huong Hoai Le
Thao Thu Dieu Le
Hae Sun Lee ³
Brian Taylor Loe
Susan Margaret Lowrie ³
Dao Cam Ly
Tai Ly
Meena Mabbu
Linda Mai
Reshma S. Mathew
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Robert Stephen Miller ³
Hina Hasanali Momin
Erin McGregor Moody ³
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Cindy Ngo ³
Nancy Ngo ³
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Dzung Tan Nguyen
Tracy Phuong Truc Nguyen
Vicky Nguyen
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Chioma Leslie Opara

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Muneeb Rahman
Caroline Eppler Root ¹
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Sailakshmy Sadhu
Lisa Michelle Salinas
Shiney Samuel ³
Soumya Samuel ³
Nabeel Sattar
Steven Lee Seagroves, Jr. ²
Ruja Shahrzad
Aayna Shamsi ²
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Lydia Matar Solis ²
Mary Sun ³
August Sky Tessari
Tracey Maria Thomas
Andrew Jonathan Tindall
Marc Anthony Kiet Tran
Emily Trinh
Lauren Cathleen Tulio
Shawn Varghese ³
Elizabeth Mary Villanueva
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Cody Michael Will
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Mahwish A. Yasin
David William Yu
Sherien Maher Zaid

**Pharmacy Certificate in Hispanic Healthcare**
Eric Kao

**Fall 2016**

**Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutical Health Outcomes and Policy**

Nipun Atreja
The Impact of Long-Term Opioid Medication on Oral Antihyperglycemic Medication Adherence and Subsequent Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Related Hospitalization Risk Among Individuals with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus: A Retrospective Database Analysis
**Advisor:** Dr. Marc L. Fleming

Rohan Medhekar
The Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Pathway to Major Depressive Disorder (MDD) and its Impact on the Receipt of MDD Treatment
**Advisor:** Dr. Hua Chen

Aylin Yucel
Physician Patient-Sharing Networks and Prescription of Psychotropic Polypharmacy in the Treatment of Children and Adolescents with Mental Disorders
**Advisor:** Dr. E. James Essien

**Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutics**

Shufan Ge
The Role of Breast Cancer Resistance Protein (BCRP) in Disposition of Glucuronide Conjugates
**Advisor:** Dr. Ming Hu

Pooja Manchandani
Revisiting Polymyxin B: Pharmacokinetics, Biodistribution and Mechanism(s) of Intrarenal Transport
**Advisor:** Dr. Vincent H. Tam

**Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmacology**

Saleem Mohammad
Superoxide via SP3 Transcription Factor Up-Regulates Renal AT1 Receptor Function and Contributes to Hypertension
**Advisor:** Dr. Mohammad Asghar

**Doctor of Pharmacy**

Salman Farooqui
Abigail Kim

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### Summer 2016

**Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutical Health Outcomes and Policy**

Pratik Rane  
Safety Effects of Proton Pump Inhibitors Among Community Dwelling Adults with Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease  
**Advisor:** Dr. Rajender Aparasu

**Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutics**

Pankajini Mallick  
Molecular Mechanisms of Irinotecan Hepatotoxicity and Drug-Drug Interaction  
**Advisor:** Dr. Romi Ghose

**Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmacology**

Hironari Akasaka  
Molecular and Cellular Mechanisms of Inflammatory Prostaglandin E2 Biosynthesis  
**Advisor:** Dr. Ke-He Ruan

Luis Alberto Martinez  
Effects of Regulating Hyperactive Rac1 in an Animal Model of Fragile X Syndrome  
**Advisor:** Dr. Maria V. Tejada-Simon

Naimesh Natarwal Solangi  
Role of Oxidative Stress in Behavioral, Cognitive and Biochemical Impairment in an Animal Model of Social Stress  
**Advisor:** Dr. Samina Salim

### Spring 2016

**Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutics**

Prajakta Sanjay Gadgil  
Lazaroid Formulations for Brain Delivery: Development of Nano-Structured Lipid Carriers, Optimization, and Pharmacokinetic Evaluation  
**Advisor:** Dr. Diana Shu-Lian Chow

Daping Zhang  
Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacodynamics of Mycophenolic Acid in Pediatric and Adult Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation Patients  
**Advisor:** Dr. Diana Shu-Lian Chow
The Rho Chi Society, Pharmacy’s academic honor society, was established in 1922 to encourage and recognize excellence in intellectual achievement, foster fellowship among its members, encourage high standards of conduct and character, and advocate critical inquiry in all aspects of pharmacy. The fundamental objective of Rho Chi is to promote the advancement of the pharmaceutical sciences through the encouragement and recognition of sound scholarship by bringing professional students, graduate students, and faculty members together in fraternal and helpful association. High standards of intellectual and scholarly attainment have been demanded for election to membership.

The Society’s insignia, the Greek letters, “Rho” and “Chi,” were originally selected because, when placed in the relative position in which they are found on the Rho Chi Key, they are emblematic of the prescription sign. The colors attached to the seal of membership were chosen to indicate the royalty of purple and the loyalty of white. The eight sides of the Key represent chemistry, biology, physiology, pharmaceutics, pharmacology, and the biomedical, social/administrative, and clinical sciences.

Rho Chi Graduating Members

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Phi Lambda Sigma, Pharmacy’s leadership society, was established in 1965 to honor and promote the development of leadership qualities, especially among pharmacy students. Members are selected by peer recognition. No greater honor can be bestowed upon an individual than to be recognized as a leader by one’s peers. Such recognition instills and enhances self-confidence, encourages the less active student to a more active role and promotes greater effort toward the advancement of pharmacy.

The insignia of the Society is the key pin, which bears a mortar and pestle and the Greek letters “Phi”, “Lambda” and “Sigma”. A wreath of laurel surrounds the mortar and pestle. The colors of the Society are green and gold.

**Phi Lambda Sigma Graduating Members**

- Marissa Sarah Blumenthal
- Michael T. Dinh
- Krutina Patel Garcia
- Katie Elizabeth Hay
- Eric Z. Kao
- Thao Thuy Dieu Le
- Dao Cam Ly
- Robert McGregor Miller
- Erin McGregor Moody
- Amanda Nguyen
- Sarin Mahesh Patel
- David Pham
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- Boxin Allen Xu
- David William Yu
2017 Awards

DEANS AWARDS

Dean Joseph P. Buckley
Pharmacy Leadership
Jared Moore
Caroline Eppler Root
Steven Lee Seagroves, Jr.
Lydia Matar Solis
Mary Sun
Chelsea Wong
Sherien Maher Zaid

Royal Society of Chemistry
Certificate of Excellence
Shuaishuai Guo

Lilly Achievement
Krutina Patel Garcia

Teva Pharmaceuticals USA
Outstanding Student
Caitlin Thuy-Khanh Le

PHARMACEUTICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES AND POLICY AWARDS

Graduate Student Excellence
Ruta Sawant, M.S.

PHARMACY PRACTICE AND TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH AWARDS

Health Systems Pharmacy of the Year
Houston Methodist Hospital

Hospital Pharmacy
Preceptor of the Year
Mallory Gessner-Wharton, Pharm.D., BCPS

Institutional Patient Care
Preceptor of the Year
Megan Anderson, Pharm.D., BCPS

Faculty Preceptor of the Year
Matthew A. Wanat, Pharm.D.

Hospital Pharmacy Internship
Brandon Rudolph Casarez

Ambulatory Care Preceptor of the Year
Ashley Burns, Pharm.D.

Community Preceptor
John Yoo, Pharm.D.

James McCarty Community Pharmacy Internship
Lidia Adamache

Mylan Pharmaceutical Excellence in Pharmacy
Amanda Nguyen

Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database Recognition
Stacy Renee Poindexter

Award of Excellence in Clinical Communication Sponsored by Facts & Comparisons® and Lexicomp® Brands of Wolters Kluwer Health
Amber Michelle Wright
2017 Awards (continued)

Special Recognition Award for Excellence in Clinical Skills
Linda Mai
Anna Huynh

ASHP Health System Pharmacy
Kaitlin Rose Wasko

Ambulatory Care
Lisa Marie Fischer

RX Cougar Leadership
Robert Stephen Miller
Holly S. Ryan

The United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Practice
Tracey Maria Thomas

PLS Student Leadership Award
Marissa Sarah Blumenthal

PLS Faculty Leadership Award
Lynn Simpson, Pharm.D.

Most Spirited Volunteer and Leadership Award
Michael T. Dinh
Katie Elizabeth Hay

Clinical Science and Administration Research Excellence
Tran Do
Eric Z. Kao
Boxin Allen Xu

APhA-ASP Service Recognition
Erin McGregor Moody

Communication and Counseling
Erin McGregor Moody

Award of Excellence in Non-Prescription Medications and Self Care
Natalie Doan Chu

Legislative and Policy
Scott Tomas Ondrasek

Outstanding Academic Achievement in P1 Courses
Recipient to be announced

Outstanding Academic Achievement in P2 Courses
Recipient to be announced
College Administration

F. Lamar Pritchard  
Dean

Nancy D. Ordonez  
Assistant Dean for Experiential Programs

Mustafa F. Lokhandwala  
Executive Vice Dean for Research

Brian J. Knoll  
Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs

Andrea J. Smesny  
Executive Associate Dean

Paige Pitman  
Assistant Dean for Student and Professional Affairs

Interim Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Rubina Haroon  
Director, Business Operations

Elizabeth A. Coyle  
Assistant Dean for Assessment

Department Chairs

Rajendar R. Aparasu  
Pharmaceutical Health Outcomes and Policy

Douglas C. Eikenburg  
Pharmacological and Pharmaceutical Sciences

Kevin W. Garey  
Pharmacy Practice & Translational Research

Convocation Marshals

Elizabeth A. Coyle  
Louis Williams

Banner Bearers

Marissa Sarah Blumenthal  
Caitlin Thuy-Khanh Le

Convocation Coordinators

Paige Pitman  
Brandi Trieu
Academic Regalia

Academic costumes of today have a history of nearly eight centuries. In Medieval Europe, all townspeople wore long flowing robes and gowns. The materials and colors were governed by royal decree. Gradually, distinctive gowns were developed for the various professions, trades and guilds. Scholars wore robes and hoods to protect their shaved heads. Later, skullcaps were worn on the head, and the hoods became a cape that could be pulled over the head during unpleasant weather. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adapted by their faculties for bachelors (apprentices of the arts), masters (teachers), and doctors (teachers who had completed postgraduate studies). When caps and hats came into fashion in the 15th century, the hoods became ornamental, draped over the shoulders and down the back. The academic hat was first worn as a symbol of the master’s degree and existed in various forms. The mortarboard style comes to us from Oxford University. When academic costumes came to America in 1754, styles were quite varied. In Europe, they still are; however, in our country, usage has been standardized by the Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume.

College of Pharmacy

- **BACHELOR’S DEGREE**
  - **Hood**: Olive
  - **Tassel**: Olive

- **MASTER’S DEGREE**
  - **Hood**: Olive
  - **Tassel**: Black

- **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREE**
  - **Hood**: Royal Blue
  - **Tassel**: Red

- **DOCTOR OF PHARMACY DEGREE**
  - **Hood**: Olive
  - **Tassel**: Red
**THE SEAL**

Throughout history, seals have been used to authenticate official documents. The University of Houston’s and UH System’s seals both bear the Official Seal of Arms of General Sam Houston, as handed down to him from his noble ancestors. It includes the escutcheon in the center of the seal - consisting of checkered chevrons denoting nobility - and three martlets, gentle lowland birds that symbolize peace and deliverance. A winged hourglass is placed above the shield. Surmounting this is the motto “In Tempore,” meaning “In Time.” The greyhounds indicate speed of giving aid. The UH seal was first adopted in 1938 as the present campus was established. Although the look of the seal has evolved over the years, the first version was etched into the floor of the Roy G. Cullen Building.

**COLLEGE OF PHARMACY COAT OF ARMS**

The College of Pharmacy Coat of Arms was designed by student, Gia Castorina, Class of 2015. It displays the values of professionalism, expertise, and involvement in the pharmacy community. Traditionally, the coat of arms represents the history and values of a school but Gia has incorporated not only the history, but also our future as a leader in pharmacy.

**Symbolism for the Elements Compiling the UHCOP Coat of Arms**

**Open book:** Symbolizes manifestation; exemplifies abstract ideas, theories, and scholarship. This pays tribute to the hard work of the student body and their “life-long” learning in the field of pharmacy.

**Mortar and pestle:** A symbol of pharmacy due to historical use in preparing medicines. This signifies our mission statement of exhibiting the ideals of pharmacy professionalism.

**Scales:** Represents justice; a pharmacist seeks justice in the distribution of health resources. The scales also serve as a reminder that as pharmacists we must always show ethical behavior. We must weigh out difficult decisions and make challenging judgement calls.

**Bowl of Hygeia:** Another symbol of pharmacy. In Greek mythology, Hygeia was the daughter and assistant of Aesculapius (sometimes spelled Asklepios), the god of medicine and healing. Hygeia’s classical symbol was a bowl containing a medicinal potion with the serpent of wisdom (or guardianship) partaking it. This is the same serpent of wisdom, which appears on the caduceus, the staff of Aesculapius, which is the symbol of medicine.

**College of Pharmacy Founding:** the year the college was founded “est. 1946” is inscribed in the banner.
Faculty

Susan M. Abughosh, Ph.D.
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Research Assistant Professor
Karim A. Alkadhi, Ph.D.
Professor
Joy P. Alonzo, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
Rajender R. Aparasu, Ph.D.
Professor and Department Chair
Mohammad Asghar, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
Bernadette Asias-Dinh, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
Anees A. Banday, Ph.D.
Research Assistant Professor
Nicholas Beyda, Ph.D.
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Ekere James Essien, Dr. PH, M.D.
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Julianna M. Fernandez, Pharm.D.
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Marc L. Fleming, Ph.D.
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Sarfarz Niazi, Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor of Pharmaceutics

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Adjunct Professor of Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmaceutics

Erik Rytting, Ph.D.
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Pharmaceutics

Shubhada Sangiry, Ph.D.
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Jaymin Shah, Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor of Pharmaceutics

Naj Sharif, Ph.D.
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Kelly Standifer, B.S., Ph.D.
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Junmei Wang, Ph.D.
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of Medicinal Chemistry

Sai-Ching Jim Yeung, B.S., M.S., Ph.D., M.D.
Adjunct Professor of Pharmaceutics
The Alma Mater

All hail to thee,
Our Houston University.
Our hearts fill with gladness
When we think of thee.
We’ll always adore thee
Dear old varsity.
And to thy memory cherished,
True we’ll ever be.

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