



College of Pharmacy

CONVOCATION
THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017





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 untaken. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "F. Lamar Pritchard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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

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College of Pharmacy

Convocation

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

CONVOCATION MARSHALS	Elizabeth Coyle <i>Assistant Dean for Assessment</i> Louis Williams <i>Associate Professor</i>
GOLDEN COUGARS CLASS OF 1967	Thomas N. Cammack, Jr. Joe R. Garrett Edna G. Houston 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 <i>Dean</i>
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 <i>Executive Associate Dean</i>
PRESENTATION & HOODING OF PHARM.D. CANDIDATES	Dean Pritchard
RECOGNITION OF GOLDEN COUGAR CLASS OF 1967	Dean Pritchard
OATH OF A PHARMACIST	Andrea J. Smesny <i>Executive Associate Dean</i>
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.

Golden Cougars - Class of 1967

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 Jerry A. Thiem



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| Jin A. Atkinson | Walter R. Fisher | Manuel N. Leal | William P. Sterling |
| Robert D. Babin | Joe R. Garrett | Victor Lum | Grechen J. Stevenson |
| Adolfo Balli | Carolyn K. Gehrke | Kathleen C. McBride | Arden W. Taylor |
| Jesse A. Barge | Lilia K. Gonzales | Frank H. McEae | Jerry A. Thiem |
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| Leon T. Calland | Haden G. Holloway | James D. Payne | |
| Thomas N. Cammack | Joseph W. Huber | Ramiro Perez | |
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| Abraham P. Cano | Charles E. Janak | Martin I. Rashe, Jr. | |
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| Mason A. Evans | Marlon T. Knight | Victor L. Slack | |

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 Counselling
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

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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. Sangsiri

DOCTOR OF PHARMACY

Lidia Adamache

Nora Farhat Alzibdeh

Shireen Ashouri

Noris E. Benitez

Marissa Sarah Blumenthal²

Brandon Rudolph Casarez³

Jill Chao

Melanie Lok-Kwan Cheng³

Rose Cherian

Maggie Onkei Chu²

Natalie Doan Chu

Tiffany Lynn Conner

Michael T. Dinh

Jennie P. Do

Tran Do

Vivian Si Dong

Ha My Duong

Lisa Marie Fischer³

Krutina Patel Garcia²

Dipu George

Alan Gracia

Shuaishuai Guo²

Katie Elizabeth Hay

Nicole Elaine Ho³

Thien Kim Ho

Thuy-Tien Thi Ho

Tien T. Hoang

Minh A. Hong

¹ Summa Cum Laude - ² Magna Cum Laude - ³ Cum Laude

Spring and Summer 2017 *(continued)*

Komal Jalaluddin Hooda ²	Alessandria Ornelas
Paul John Hudacek	Nicholas Avery Panay
Nhu Huynh	Sarin Mahesh Patel
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Eric Z. Kao	David Pham
Stefan Kim	Renee Diane Pinkston
Stella Kim	Stacy Renee Poindexter ³
Thuy-Duong Thi Lam ³	Muneeb Rahman
Justin Thomas Wayne Lankford	Caroline Eppler Root ¹
Alan Lara	Holly S. Ryan
Anne Tricia Le ³	Sailakshmy Sadhu
Bao Tran Nguyen Le ³	Lisa Michelle Salinas
Caitlin Thuy-Khanh Le ¹	Shiney Samuel ³
Huong Hoai Le	Soumya Samuel ³
Thao Thuy Dieu Le	Nabeel Sattar
Hae Sun Lee ³	Steven Lee Seagroves, Jr. ²
Brian Taylor Loe	Ruja Shahrzad
Susan Margaret Lowrie ³	Aayna Shamsi ²
Dao Cam Ly	Tiffany Sieben ³
Tai Ly	Lydia Matar Solis ²
Meena Mabbu	Mary Sun ¹
Linda Mai	August Sky Tessari
Reshma S. Mathew	Tracey Maria Thomas
Bijal Dilipkumar Mehta ³	Andrew Jonathan Tindall
Robert Stephen Miller ³	Marc Anthony Kiet Tran
Hina Hasanali Momin	Emily Trinh
Erin McGregor Moody ³	Lauren Cathleen Tulio
Jared Moore ²	Shawn Varghese ³
Marizu Joy Ndubuizu	Elizabeth Mary Villanueva
Cindy Ngo ³	Mien Ha Vu
Nancy Ngo ³	Pari Nesa Wafayee
Amanda Nguyen	Kaitlin Rose Wasko ³
Dzung Tan Nguyen	Cody Michael Will
Tracy Phuong Truc Nguyen	Christopher Theodore Wilson
Vicky Nguyen	Chelsea Wong ²
Scott Tomas Ondrasek	Amber Michelle Wright ²
Chioma Leslie Opara	Boxin Allen Xu

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Mahwish A. Yasin
David William Yu
Sherien Maher Zaid ¹

**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 ¹

Abigail Kim

¹ Summa Cum Laude - ² Magna Cum Laude - ³ Cum Laude

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 Natawarlal Solanki

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, pharmaceuticals, pharmacology, and the biomedical, social/administrative, and clinical sciences.

Rho Chi Graduating Members

Marissa Sarah Blumenthal
Maggie Onkei Chu
Salman Farooqui
Krutina Patel Garcia
Shuaishuai Guo
Nicole Elaine Ho
Komal Jalaluddin Hooda
Thuy-Duong Thi Lam
Caitlin Thuy-Khanh Le
Hae Sun Lee
Bijal Dilipkumar Mehta
Robert Stephen Miller

Jared Moore
Caroline Eppler Root
Steven Lee Seagroves, Jr.
Aayna Shamsi
Tiffany Sieben
Lydia Matar Solis
Mary Sun
Shawn Varghese
Chelsea Wong
Amber Michelle Wright
Sherien Maher Zaid



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
Lydia Matar Solis
Tracey Maria Thomas
Marc Anthony Kiet Tran
Lauren Cathleen Tulio
Elizabeth Mary Villanueva
Kaitlin Rose Wasko
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 <i>Dean</i>	Nancy D. Ordonez <i>Assistant Dean for Experiential Programs</i>
Mustafa F. Lokhandwala <i>Executive Vice Dean for Research</i>	Brian J. Knoll <i>Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs</i>
Andrea J. Smesny <i>Executive Associate Dean</i> <i>Interim Associate Dean for Academic Affairs</i>	Paige Pitman <i>Assistant Dean for Student and Professional Affairs</i>
Elizabeth A. Coyle <i>Assistant Dean for Assessment</i>	Rubina Haroon <i>Director, Business Operations</i>

Department Chairs

Rajendar R. Aparasu <i>Pharmaceutical Health Outcomes and Policy</i>	Douglas C. Eikenburg <i>Pharmacological and Pharmaceutical Sciences</i>
Kevin W. Garey <i>Pharmacy Practice & Translational Research</i>	

Convocation Marshalls

Elizabeth A. Coyle	Louis Williams
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Banner Bearers

Caitlin Thuy-Khanh Le	Marissa Sarah Blumenthal
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Convocation Coordinators

Paige Pitman	Brandi Trieu
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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 *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.
Assistant Professor
- M. Jahangir Alam, Ph.D.
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.
Assistant Professor
- Kimberly K. Birtcher, Pharm.D.
Clinical Professor
- Krishna Boini, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
- Richard A. Bond, Ph.D.
Professor
- Hua Chen, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Diana Shu-Lian Chow, Ph.D.
Professor
- Elizabeth A. Coyle, Pharm.D.
Clinical Professor
Assistant Dean of Assessment
- Rustin Crutchley, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Gregory Cuny, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
- Joydip Das, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Austin De La Cruz, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Douglas C. Eikenburg, Ph.D.
Associate Professor and Department Chair
- Jason Eriksen, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Ekere James Essien, Dr.P.H. M.D.
Professor
- Julianna M. Fernandez, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Marc L. Fleming, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
- Song Gao, Ph.D.
Research Assistant Professor
- Kevin W. Garey, Pharm.D.
Professor and Department Chair
- Romi Ghose, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Bin Guo, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Catherine L. Hatfield, Pharm.D.
Clinical Associate Professor
- Ming Hu, Ph.D.
Professor
- Tahir Hussain, Ph.D.
Professor, Assistant Department Chair
- Michael Johnson, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

- Brian J. Knoll, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
Assistant Dean Graduate Programs
- Sai S. Koka, Ph.D., R. Ph.
Research Assistant Professor
- Xiang Li, M.D., Ph.D.
Research Assistant Professor
- Xinli Liu, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Mustafa F. Lokhandwala, Ph.D.
Professor, Executive Vice Dean for Research
- Claire Mach, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Aditi M. Marwaha, Ph.D.
Instructional Assistant Professor
- Kamalasanthi Masilamani, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Bradley K. McConnell, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Kimberly A. Nguyen, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Nancy D. Ordonez, Pharm.D.
Clinical Associate Professor
Assistant Dean for Experiential Programs
- Paige Pitman, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
Assistant Dean for Student and Professional Affairs
- Randall A. Prince, Pharm.D.
Professor
- F. Lamar Pritchard, Ph.D.
Professor and Dean
- Ke-He Ruan, Ph.D.
Professor
- Samina Salim, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
- Sujit S. Sansgiry, Ph.D.
Professor
- Lindsay A. Schwarz, Ph.D.
Instructional Associate Professor
- Dhara N. Shah, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Jeffrey T. Sherer, Pharm.D.
Clinical Associate Professor
- Lynn Simpson, Pharm.D.
Clinical Associate Professor
- Andrea J. Smesny, Pharm.D.
Clinical Associate Professor
Executive Associate Dean
- Katherine Smith, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Amelia K. Sofjan, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor
- Alexander Statsyuk, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
- Vincent H. Tam, Pharm.D.
Professor
- Maria Victoria Tejada-Simon, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Meghna Trivedi, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Gomika Udugamasooriya, Ph.D.
Associate Professor
- Divya Varkey, Pharm.D.
Clinical Associate Professor
- David A. Wallace, Pharm.D.
Clinical Associate Professor
- Matthew A. Wanat, Pharm.D.
Clinical Assistant Professor

Louis Williams, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

Yang Zhang, Ph.D.
Associate Professor

Adjunct & Emeritus Faculty

Borje Anderson, M.B.,M.D., Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor of Pharmaceutics

Debasis Bagchi, Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor of Medicinal Chemistry

David Baskin, M.D.
Research Professor

Robert M. Bryan Jr., B.S., M.S., Ph.D.
Adjunct Associate Professor of Pharmacology

Icilio Caverro, B.S., Ph.D.
Adjunct Associate Professor of Pharmacology

Satabdi Chatterjee, M.S., Ph.D.
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Madhu Chintala, Ph.D.
Adjunct Associate Professor of Pharmacology

Mariella DeBiasi, Ph.D.
Adjunct Associate Professor of Pharmacology

Peter Doris, Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor of Pharmacology

Kenneth L. Euler, Ph.D.
Professor Emeritus

Heather Giles, Ph.D.
Adjunct Associate Professor of Pharmaceutics

James D. Hess, Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor

Holly Holmes, M.D., M.S.
Adjunct Professor

Ming-He Huang, Ph.D.
Adjunct Associate Professor of Pharmacology

Mark Kramer, Ph.D., M.S., R.Ph.D.
Adjunct Associate Professor

Prasad Kulkarni, Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor of Pharmacology

Wei-Dong Le, Ph.D.
Adjunct Professor of Pharmacology

Thomas L. Lemke, Ph.D.
Professor Emeritus

Chun Li, Ph.D.
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