TOP STORIES

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The UTHSC campus is running the above promotion on six digital billboards located on the interstates in the Memphis area. The promotion will appear in rotation with other UTHSC ads starting this summer and will appear until another student pharmacist chapter of the year is named in April of 2011.

MBA DEGREE WITH PHARMACY PRACTICE MANAGEMENT CONCENTRATION

The Fogelman College of Business and Economics of The University of Memphis, in collaboration with the College of Pharmacy, announces the offering of an MBA Degree with a Pharmacy Practice Management Concentration. The program can be taken on a part-time or full-time basis, with classes offered in the evenings and online. This 45-credit-hour program is designed for current and future pharmacists who face the challenge of leading and managing large pharmacy operations, such as those in hospitals and community pharmacies, as a business enterprise. Of the 45-credit hours, 30 consist of standard MBA core courses and 15-credit hours are targeted pharmacy practice management courses taken at The University of Memphis or at the UT Health Science Center, depending on the course. These include required and elective courses chosen from among Healthcare Economics, Seminar in Human Resource Management, Self-Leadership for Executives, Pharmacoeconomics, Health Informatics and E-Health, and Strategies for Health Policy Formulation and Planning. Included in the 15-credit-hour concentration is a required, 3-credit-hour internship or practicum in which the student will put the material being taught into practice in a pharmacy work environment. For further information about the MBA Program with a Pharmacy Practice Management concentration, visit www.memphis.edu/professionalmba and click on "Curriculum" and "Concentrations". For more information contact: Dr. Mark Gillenson at 901.678.3721.

DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST

Preceptor Development Conference
Tuesday, August 16th (Knoxville) 1:00-4:30 ET
UT College of Pharmacy Building (Knoxville Campus)

Wednesday, August 18th (Memphis) 1:00-4:30 CT
The Student Alumni Center on the UTHSC campus

Residency-Rotation Day
Wednesday, August 11th (Knoxville) Starting at 9:00am CT
UT College of Pharmacy Building-UT Medical Center campus

Thursday, August 19th (Memphis)
The Student Alumni Center on the UTHSC campus

SEPTEMBER

Preceptor Development Conference
Wednesday, 15th (Nashville) 1:00-4:30 CT
Polk Avenue Clinical Education Center

Feurt Symposium
HealthCare Reform: How it Affects Pharmacy Practice
Wednesday, September 29, 2010
The Student Alumni Center on the UTHSC campus

16th Annual Emmett Manley PARscription Golf Tournament

Wednesday
September 29, 2010
Stonebridge, Memphis

For Information:
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FINKS DELIVERS CONVOCATION ADDRESS - Dr. Shannon Finks was selected by the Class of 2010 to deliver the graduation address during Honors and Awards Convocation ceremony on May 27th. Dr. Finks graduated from The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy in 1998 and completed a general pharmacy practice residency at Methodist Hospitals of Memphis in 1999. She is a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist and has received Added Qualifications in Cardiology. Currently, she is an Associate Professor at the University of Tennessee in the Department of Clinical Pharmacy. Dr. Finks serves as a member of the Editorial Board for the national Pharmacotherapy Self Assessment Program (PSAP). She is an immediate past President of the Mid-South College of Clinical Pharmacy. Her current practice includes Cardiology Service at the VA Hospital where she, along with her job-share partner, co-precepts students and residents in the area of cardiology. She maintains BLS and ACLS certification and is an instructor in both of these areas. Dr. Finks is married (to another Dr. Finks) and has 2 children, Harrison (age 8) and Grayson (age 6). The full text of Dr. Finks’ presentation entitled Count, Dispense, and Care will appear in an upcoming issue of Tennessee Pharmacist.

Promotions

- Benjamin Duhart, PharmD promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Pharmacy
- Christa George, PharmD promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Pharmacy
- Gale Hamann, PharmD promotion to Professor of Clinical Pharmacy
- James Hoffman, PharmD promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Pharmacy
- Marilyn Lee, PharmD promotion to Professor of Clinical Pharmacy
- Shawn McFarland, PharmD promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Pharmacy
- Bob Moore, PhD promotion to Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Katie Suda, PharmD, MS graduated with a M.S. in epidemiology from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center on May 28, 2010.
- Aubrey Waddell, PharmD promotion to Professor of Clinical Pharmacy
- Junling Wang, PhD promotion to Associate Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences with tenure
- Ryan Yates, PharmD, PhD promotion to Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences
Publications

Book Editors

Dr. Aubrey Waddell served as editor of *On Being a Pharmacist — True Stories by Pharmacists*. The book is published by the American Pharmacists Association.

Dr. Waddell is currently professor, Department of Clinical Pharmacy, The University of Tennessee Health Science Center, and Oncology Pharmacist, Blount Memorial Hospital in Maryville, Tennessee.

Book Chapters


Papers (2010)


McKibbin T, Panetta JC, Fouladi M, Gajjar A, Bai F, Okcu MF, Stewart CF. Clinical Pharmacokinetics of Amifostine and WR1065 in Pediatric Patients with Medulloblastoma. *Clin Cancer Res* 2010;16:1049-57


Self TH, Twilla JD, Rogers ML, Rumbak MJ. Inhaled corticosteroids should be initiated before discharge from the emergency department in patients with persistent asthma. J Asthma 2009;46:974-979


**Elected Offices and Appointments**

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<td>Paula Bell, PharmD</td>
<td>Secretary of the Mid-South College of Clinical Pharmacists</td>
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<td>Steve Foster, PharmD</td>
<td>Appointed by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) to a “Think-tank” on Public Health Use and Distribution of Antivirals. St. Paul, MN. June 15-16, 2010</td>
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<td>Bernd Meibohm, PhD</td>
<td>Appointed as ‘Special Government Employee’ to serve on the Advisory Committee for Pharmaceutical Sciences of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration</td>
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<td>Elected to serve a 5-year term on the Board of Regents, the governing body of the American College of Clinical Pharmacology</td>
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<td>Chair for the ‘Pharmacokinetics, Pharmacodynamics and Drug Metabolism (PPDM)’ section of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Sciences (AAPS)</td>
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<td>Mary E. Yates, PharmD</td>
<td>Appointed to the Novation Clinical Advisory Council</td>
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**Presentations**

- Randolph M, Mayes J, Weatherman K, Loveless V. Assessing the microbial contamination rate of Tc-99m labeled red blood cells compounded using a commercially available kit formulation when prepared under USP <797> immediate use guidelines. J Am Pharm Assoc 2010:50;289. (Poster)

**STUDENTS and RESIDENTS**

**Graduate Students**

**THOMPSON AWARDED PFIZER PRE-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP** - Margaret Thompson, PharmD, student in the dual degree PharmD/PhD program, has been awarded the Pfizer Pre-Doctoral Fellowship for Pharmaceutical Sciences by the American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education for the third consecutive year. Dr. Thomson’s research is focusing on the disposition of drugs in the pediatric population. Specifically, her research investigates the development of drug transporters and the role age may play in this process. Currently there is little information regarding the development of drug transport processes. With this information clinicians will be better able to predict which drugs may be safely be given to children at various ages. AFPE is the nation’s oldest and largest pharmacy foundation and supports pharmaceutical sciences education at U.S. schools and colleges of pharmacy through a variety of grant and fellowship programs.
Residents - Mina Tadrous, PharmD, M.S. is currently completing a Drug Information and Outcomes Research residency with UT, St. Jude, and MedCommunications. Next year he will begin his pursuit of a PhD in Epidemiology at the University of Toronto. The residency is jointly coordinated by Beth Miller, PharmD and Katie Suda, PharmD.

Student Leadership Retreat - The College held its 3rd Annual Student Leadership Retreat on May 13-15, 2010. Over 50 students participated in the 2.5 day event. “The leadership retreat is an excellent way for incoming leaders to get oriented, exchange ideas, and network with each other. We are so fortunate to have faculty members that volunteer their time and a Dean that supports leadership development. This retreat is one of the many reasons we have the best student organizations in the country.” James Wheeler, P4 student pharmacist and PSGA past-president

“The annual student leadership retreat has proven to be a great success! The seminar covers a wide range of topics, which are valuable to the student pharmacist leadership of the college. The participating faculty members and past student leaders have such an enthusiasm to assist students in their professional development. The teambuilding activities are such a fun and engaging way to actively learn about organizational cooperation. We can’t thank Dean Gourley enough for supporting this retreat!” Jake Smith, P3 student pharmacist and current PSGA president

Graduation Honors and Awards

2010 Outstanding Student Pharmacist Award - Patricia “Blair” Miller
This award is selected by members of the Doctor of Pharmacy Class of 2010 and is given to a student who has exhibited leadership and exemplifies the qualities of excellence in the profession.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Valedictorian - Paula Cerrito and Julia Underwood
Presented to the graduate with highest cumulative GPA.

The Salutatorian - Susan Winslett Publow
Presented to the graduate with the second highest cumulative GPA.
The following awards are presented for academic excellence and demonstrated interest in the subject area and upon the recommendation of the faculty in the respective departments.

- **Natural Medicine Database Recognition Award** - Paula Cerrito
- **Cardinal Health Nuclear Pharmacy Award** - Adam Hooper, Ghassan Agha, Terry Griffith, Rachel Jernigan, Damonn Russell, and Salvador Sias
- **Feurt Scholar Award** - Megan Saalfrank, Salvador Sias
- **Medicinal Chemistry Award** - Jodie Connell
- **The Atul Shukla Pharmaceutics Award** - Drew Mason
- **Pharmacy Administration Award** - Liz Underwood
- **Therapeutics’ Award** - Susan Winslett-Publow
- **Perrigo Award of Excellence in Non-Prescription Medication Studies** - Lana Huddleston
- **The John H. Rodman Scholar Award** - Michale Knauth

*Presented for outstanding academic performance in both the pharmacogenomics and pharmacokinetics*

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- **Community Pharmacy Service Award** - Shari May, Mindy Parman, Lisa Pelletier, Courtney Strong
  *For exemplary efforts in community services and medication and/or disease education to citizens of Tennessee*
- **United States Public Health Service Award** - Josh Ogle
  *For commitment to public health and public health practice*
- **Rachel Welton Community Service Award** - Melanie Michaels and Eboni Campbell
  *For unrelenting spirit in providing healthcare service to less fortunate individuals in Tennessee*

**LEADERSHIP**

- **APhA-ASP Tennessee Chapter Award** - Misty Gray-Winnett and Blair Miller
- **APhA-ASP Tennessee Chapter National Award** - Josh Ogle
- **American Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists Leadership Award** - Brian Marlow
- **Excellence in Community Pharmacy Leadership** - Todd Oldham
- **Martin L. Hamner Award** - Mandy Inger and Joseph Pandit
  *Presented to the student who served as Honor Council President*
- **Memphis Area Pharmacists Society Outstanding Leadership** - Morgan Weaver
- **Mid-South College of Clinical Pharmacy Leadership Award in Clinical Pharmacy Practice** - Alexandra Barnette
- **SNPhA Leadership Award** - Sarah Stapleton
- **Student Affairs Service Award** - Brian Marlow
  *Presented to the student pharmacist member of the Student Government Association Executive Council*
- **Tom Sharp Sr. Leadership Award** - Leslie Shepard
  *Presented by the Tennessee Pharmacists Association to the student judged as outstanding participant in the affairs of the College.*

**PRACTICE-FOCUSED AWARDS**

- **The John Butler Award** - Sara Bliss
  *Presented for outstanding leadership and demonstrated an interest in institutional, administrative, and management practice.*
- **Excellence in Community Pharmacy Practice** - Natasha Falcone and Lacey McRae
- **Outstanding Clinical Pharmacy Award** – Julia Underwood

**SKILLS BASED AWARDS**

- **APhA-ASP Patient Counseling Award** - Misty Gray-Winnett and Julia Underwood
- **ASHP Clinical Skills Competition Award** - Lindsey Mitchell and Julia Underwood
- **Clarion Clinical Skills Competition** - Jon Bayrd, Terry Griffith, and Sarah Mizne
  *Presented to the student who participated in the CLARION, interprofessional team competition conducted at the University of Minnesota.*
- **Facts and Comparisons Award of Excellence in Clinical Communication** - Sarah Mizne
- **Mylan Excellence in Pharmacy Award** - Sarah Stapleton
  *For superior proficiency in the provision of drug information services*
- **Communications Award** – Brittany Brown
MISCELLANEOUS

- **Merck Award** – Kara Goddard, Elisa Greene, Jon Maxwell, Jessica Wallace
  *In recognition of outstanding performance in both academics or other qualities that warrant recognition.*
- **TEVA Pharmaceuticals Outstanding Student Award** – Josh Fleming

ALUMNI and FRIENDS

- Jason Vinson and his wife (Jessica) had a baby girl, Kayden Rylee Vinson, on April 29th, 2010
- Carol Smith, Dean Gourley’s secretary, retired this past month after 12 years of service to the University
- The College family extends its sympathies to Dr. Ram Mahato on the recent death of his mother

COLLEGE TRIVIA

*(Upcoming newsletters will highlight milestones in the history of the College)*

1898 Pharmacy courses were first offered as a part of the chemistry department at UT Knoxville. The moving spirit in the organization was Professor Charles O. Hill, a chemistry faculty member who had received his pharmacy education at the University of Michigan.

1900 The Pharmacy Department graduated its first students, Henry Comer Fite of Hendersonville and Samuel Gerstle Spiro of Knoxville (shown).

1906 The Pharmacy Department was made a separate School of Pharmacy. Pharmacy education continued in Knoxville, graduating 27 men with the Pharmaceutical Chemist (Ph.C.) degree. Students were admitted on certification from a reputable pharmacist, stating that the student had regularly worked in a practical pharmacy for a period of at least two years.

1909 Pharmacy instruction was moved to Memphis. The pharmacy department in Memphis was conducted under the auspices of the College of Physicians and Surgeons for two sessions, 1909-1910.

1910 At this time pharmacy became a department of the old University of Memphis. The University of Memphis graduated eight pharmacy students, but only six students were enrolled in pharmacy courses and the Board of Trustees terminated the program.

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