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GREAT THINGS AHEAD

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IT ALL BEGINS WITH A WHITE COAT

For nearly 20 years, St. Louis College of Pharmacy at UHSP has celebrated the transition of students into the professional program with its annual White Coat Ceremony.



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DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS,

A new academic year is underway at University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis!

I am moved by the warm welcome you all have shown me, and I am excited to see all we can accomplish together! Over the last few months, I have had the privilege of getting to know our students and working alongside our talented faculty and staff. I have also made connections with a number of our talented and dedicated alumni, and I look forward to connecting with more of our alumni across the country and the globe in the coming months.

To lead UHSP is an honor and responsibility I do not take lightly, and I am eager to work with our entire University community as we explore our potential and build on our strengths and storied 157-year history as an institution. Together, we will invest in our student and alumni experience, fortify our research infrastructure, build on the success of our flagship Doctor of Pharmacy program, explore areas of growth through new programs, and propel our University to new heights.

As a united force, we are mighty. In the short time that I have been a part of this incredible community, I have witnessed over and over a tireless dedication to helping our students succeed as leaders and innovators with the ability to impact health care locally, nationally and globally, and a vigor to continue the success of our great institution. It is truly inspiring.

I am so proud to lead University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis as we write the next chapter of our history, and I look forward to working alongside all of you as we strengthen our community and institution through our pursuit of excellence.

Great things ahead!

With best regards,

David D. Allen, RPh, Ph.D.
President

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GEMOULES ACCEPTED TO PAUL AMBROSE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

P3 student Madeline Gemoules was one of 33 health professions students nationwide selected for the Paul Ambrose Scholars Program. Sponsored by the Association for Prevention Teaching and Research, the program prepares students to promote change and be leaders in addressing population health challenges at the national and community level through the planning and implementation of a community-based project. During the 2021-22 academic year, Gemoules will work with the Rockwood School District's Community Partners in Prevention organization to implement a youth and parent community substance abuse education and prevention campaign within the district's middle and high schools.



153RD COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES CELEBRATE THE CLASSES OF 2021

University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis celebrated the undergraduate and professional Classes of 2021 with in-person ceremonies on May 8 and May 29, respectively. The events marked the first large-scale events held at the University since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. The ceremonies featured a keynote address from John A. Pieper, Pharm.D., FCCP, FAPhA, FFIP, president emeritus of the University, who retired in June. Jasmine Kolawole, B.S. '21, delivered remarks during the undergraduate ceremony, while Mohamed S. Ali, Pharm.D. '21, spoke on behalf of the graduating Pharm.D. class during the Doctor of Pharmacy ceremony.

NEW STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO RHO CHI HONOR SOCIETY

On April 25, 29 students from the professional classes of 2022 and 2023 were inducted into the University's Beta Kappa chapter of the Rho Chi Society. New members were welcomed during a virtual initiation ceremony. High-achieving students who are halfway through the didactic portion of the Pharm.D. curriculum, have a professional GPA of 3.0 and rank in the top 20% of their class are eligible for induction into the society.

UNIVERSITY MAKES TOP FIVE ON LIST OF ST. LOUIS' LARGEST NIH RECIPIENTS

University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis was ranked No. 5 on the St. Louis Business Journal's recently released list of the region's largest National Institutes of Health (NIH) award recipients for 2020. This year's list highlighted the top 24 NIH award recipients in St. Louis ranked by NIH award volume. The University placed fifth on the list with six NIH awards during 2020, totaling more than \$1.9 million.



BEYER NAMED NAIA ALL-AMERICAN

Eutectic starting point guard Grace Beyer recently made UHSP history after becoming the first female athlete to receive National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) All-American recognition with an Honorable Mention for women's basketball. Beyer was the first Eutectic Women's Basketball player in the history of the program to receive All-American recognition and is one of only three American Midwest Conference women's basketball players to be recognized for the 2020-21 season.

NEW STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO PHI LAMBDA SIGMA SOCIETY

On Feb. 26, four students from the Classes of 2022 and 2023 were inducted into the University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis Alpha Theta chapter of the honorary pharmacy leadership society, Phi Lambda Sigma. Members are selected by peers and must have successfully completed at least one professional year in a pharmacy program with a cumulative grade point average of 2.70 on a 4.00 grading scale. Those inducted as new members in 2021 were P3 students Timothy Jeffries and Megan Smith, B.S. '20, and P4 students Caitlyn Blankenship, B.S. '19, and Yen Nguyen, B.S. '19.



UNIVERSITY MAKES TOP FIVE IN AACP RESEARCH RANKINGS REPORT

University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis was ranked No. 5 for overall research among all private pharmacy institutions in the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy's (AACP) most recent Funded Research Grant Institutional Rankings Report. The report provides aggregated grant data by institution for NIH, other federal, total federal, non-federal and a sum of all extramural research grants received by pharmacy schools during Fiscal Year 2020 (Oct. 1, 2019–Sept. 30, 2020).

FACULTY RECEIVE OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARDS

As part of the 2021 Student Leadership Awards, which were held virtually in April, the University's Student Government Association selected two faculty members to receive Outstanding Educator Awards for their proven commitment to students, the University's mission and educational excellence. Those selected this year were Besu Teshome, Pharm.D., BCPS, associate professor of pharmacy practice, who received the Joe E. Haberle Outstanding Educator Award for St. Louis College of Pharmacy and Dennis Doyle, Ph.D., associate professor of history, who received the Outstanding Educator Award for the College of Arts and Sciences. During the ceremony, senior student Sophia Kchouk was also named Undergraduate Student of the Year and P3 student Krupa Patel, B.S. '20, was named Professional Student of the Year.



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ALUMNI

ALUMNI INPUT NEEDED THIS FALL ON ACPE SELF-STUDY

As St. Louis College of Pharmacy at UHSP works to finalize and complete the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education self-study in advance of the organization's site visit in spring 2022, the college will host a virtual event on Oct. 18 at 7 p.m. CST to gather alumni input and provide an update from Gloria Grice, Pharm.D., FNAP, BCPS, associate dean for academic affairs and professor of pharmacy practice, and alumni members of the accreditation committee. Alumni are encouraged to register at uhsp.edu/alumni-events.

MADASU PRESENTED WITH TONI SHIPPENBERG YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD

This spring, Manish Kumar Madasu, Ph.D., postdoctoral research associate at the Center for Clinical Pharmacology, was the recipient of the Toni Shippenberg Young Investigator Award during the KappaCon 2021 Kappa Therapeutics Conference. Madasu received the award for his presentation during the conference, which highlighted his recent work to investigate the role of the peripheral kappa opioid receptor system in cold hypersensitivity and cold pain. Madasu has been conducting his research under the mentorship of Ream Al-Hasani, Ph.D., assistant professor of pharmaceutical science at UHSP, and other members of her research team.



GIFFORT PUBLISHES BOOK ON THE MEDICAL LEGITIMACY OF PSYCHEDELICS

Danielle Giffort, Ph.D., associate professor of sociology at UHSP, recently published a book highlighting the medical legitimacy of psychedelic drugs. Titled "Acid Revival: The Psychedelic Renaissance and the Quest for Medical Legitimacy," the book examines the history of psychedelic drug research and what researchers today are doing to restore legitimacy and credibility to psychedelic drug research.

FROM THAILAND TO ST. LOUIS: A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE ON PHARMACY

P4 student Veeraya “Vicky” Kullavanijaya shares how her passion for improving patient care and health outcomes has taken her around the globe.

In 2007, P4 student Veeraya “Vicky” Kullavanijaya graduated with a degree in pharmacy from Mahidol University in Bangkok, Thailand.

As a registered pharmacist in Thailand, she started her pharmacy journey as a medical sales representative, after which, she was promoted to a product specialist for Novo Nordisk, a pharmaceutical company headquartered in Bagsværd, Denmark.

When the opportunity arose, Kullavanijaya took a chance and moved across the world to complete her Master of Business Administration, with an emphasis in supply chain management, at Saint Louis University.

After completing her degree, Kullavanijaya moved back to Thailand to continue working in pharmaceutical supply chain and inventory management as a supply chain supervisor with Zuellig Pharma, a pharmaceutical distributor headquartered in Singapore.

“In Thailand, the pharmacy industry is focused on marketing and manufacturing,” she added. “In the United States, there are a variety of opportunities to work within clinical, community and industry settings, conduct research and more.”

Longing to be closer to her husband and his family, Kullavanijaya returned to St. Louis and began exploring ways to expand her clinical pharmacy knowledge.

“I looked at several different schools in the Midwest and discovered that University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis (UHSP) aligned best with my career pursuits,” she added. “After learning more about the University and its clinical offerings, residency programs and established alumni network, I knew this would be the perfect place to build upon my existing knowledge.”

Now in her final year at UHSP, Kullavanijaya has set her sights on completing her Doctor of Pharmacy and using her experience to improve patient care through clinical practice.

“I chose UHSP because of the emphasis it places on providing patient-centered care,” she said. “Because of my work experiences abroad, I was able to see different avenues within pharmacy, and I know I want to utilize my pharmacy skills to do my part to help improve patient outcomes.”

Using her newly acquired knowledge of immunology, molecular biology, genetics and clinical research, Kullavanijaya plans to put what she learned in the classroom at UHSP into real-world practice.

“The field of pharmacy has significantly expanded since I first graduated from pharmacy school,” she said. “My time at UHSP and the wide variety of knowledge and skills I have gained have better prepared me to work in a clinical pharmacy setting and provided me with the opportunity to meet outstanding faculty, preceptors, lecturers and alumni who are leaders in their respective fields.”

Kullavanijaya has also been able to grow her experience and knowledge through participation in the University’s Alumni Leadership Forum elective course. The course exposes students to different career paths available within the profession of pharmacy and allows them to build connections with University alumni.

“The course helped me realize opportunities beyond the traditional career paths associated with pharmacy,” she added. “I learned more about business consulting, health economics and outcomes research, and gained a better idea of careers that I may want to pursue after graduation.”

ALUMNI LEADERSHIP FORUM HIGHLIGHTS UNIQUE CAREER PATHS

University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis offers a unique opportunity for alumni and professional students to build connections through its Alumni Leadership Forum elective course.

The course features alumni guest speakers who have built successful careers in various sectors of the pharmacy profession, including the pharmaceutical industry, higher education, health care organizations, business and entrepreneurial markets and public service organizations.

With your support, we can continue to nurture the career growth and well-being of students through programs like the Alumni Leadership Forum.

Learn how you can get involved at uhsp.edu/getinvolved.





USHERING IN A NEW LEGACY

University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis will celebrate the start of a new legacy, as it hosts a formal investiture for its fifth president, David D. Allen, RPh, Ph.D., as part of Founders Day on Nov. 12.

As one of the University's most important traditions, Founders Day annually unites the campus community to reflect on all those who have contributed to the University's success. And, this year, the celebration will expand to commemorate the next chapter of the institution's history.

"Over the past 11 years, Founders Day has become such a significant part of our campus culture," said Michael Sass, Ph.D., special assistant to the president. "As we got to know President Allen and

spoke with him about Founders Day, he was very excited about the idea of tying his investiture to this special day for our community and making it a celebration of the University."

The University's first, true celebration of Founders Day came under the leadership of John A. Pieper, Pharm.D., FAPhA, FCCP, FFIP, president emeritus of the University, during the University's sesquicentennial in 2014. Today, the event serves as a designated time for the campus community to unite in honoring the spirit of the individuals whose leadership and foresight helped transform the University into the successful institution it is today.

As planning for President Allen's investiture gets underway, these ongoing traditions will remain top of mind for

members of the Presidential Transition Committee who will work to bring the investiture event to life.

Faculty, staff, students, alumni and members of the University's Board of Trustees comprise the committee and will focus on collaborating with President Allen to create an event that reflects on the University's distinguished past and highlights the bright future that lies ahead.

"The investiture of President Allen represents an important milestone in UHSP's history as it continues its work to become a transformational leader in health education and research," said Sandra Van Trease, member of the UHSP Board of Trustees and chair of the committee. "With a new brand identity, a new strategic plan in place and a variety of new academic programs, the University is embarking on a new era, and Founders Day is a perfect time to celebrate what the institution has already accomplished and what great things are yet to come."

Founders Day also will serve as an opportunity for members of the campus community to connect with their new president.

"As we go through the planning process for Founders Day and President Allen's investiture, the Transition Committee will be looking to create opportunities for our campus community to directly engage with President Allen and connect with him on a personal level," Sass said.

As plans for Founders Day and President Allen's investiture unfold, complete details will be shared with the University community in the coming weeks.

"This will be a very special day for the University, and we encourage our entire community to make plans to join us on Nov. 12 to welcome President Allen and celebrate our incredible institution," Sass noted.



What is an investiture?

Installment ceremonies, such as inaugurations and investitures, celebrate the exciting future ahead of an institution as a new president takes the helm.

While investitures are smaller-scale inauguration celebrations, they still carry the same pomp and circumstance the installment of a new president warrants.

Complete with the presentation of symbols of office, including the institution's charter and medallion or chain of office, an investiture integrated into an established campus celebration weaves together the old and the new and highlights the beginning of a new chapter within an institution.

EXPANDING STUDENT PATHWAYS THROUGH *EUTECTICS FORWARD*

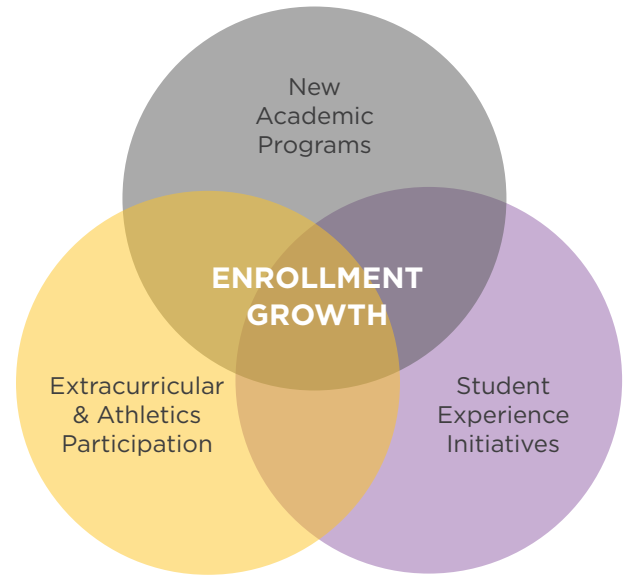
As University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis continues to work toward its vision of becoming a transformational leader in health education and research, the institution has unveiled its new “Eutectics Forward” plan designed to expand the impact of the University’s mission, add to its academic, athletic and extracurricular offerings, increase student enrollment and improve overall student satisfaction.

“This plan is the culmination of months of work by president’s staff members at the University and our Academic Programs Task Force to examine how we can attract a new population of students we haven’t yet served,” said David D. Allen, RPh, Ph.D., president of the University. “As we continue to evolve into our new University brand, our Eutectics Forward plan will allow us to creatively explore additional paths to expand and diversify our academic program mix, increase the ways we generate revenue to continue to fund our students’ individual paths to discovery, and continuously improve the experience our students have at the University.”

The Eutectics Forward plan will be focused on the implementation of three principal areas of investment designed to stimulate enrollment growth: new academic programs, innovative student experience initiatives and new avenues for extracurricular and athletics participation.

With new academic programs serving as a critical foundation for the plan, the University recently announced the addition of eight new undergraduate majors focused on student outcomes and improving student satisfaction.

The new programs were chosen based on their fit with the University’s mission and brand, potential career prospects and job



growth opportunities for students, the University’s ability to be competitive in the current student market, and prospective student pool diversification.

New majors that will be available for fall 2022, pending approval from the University’s regional accrediting agency, the Higher Learning Commission, include:

- Bachelor of Arts in Applied Behavioral Sciences
- Bachelor of Arts in Biochemistry
- Bachelor of Arts in Biopsychology
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Data Science
- Bachelor of Science in Exercise Physiology
- Bachelor of Science in Health Care Administration and Management
- Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience

As part of the Eutectics Forward plan, the University is also focused on improving the student experience. New initiatives will



include increasing academic success support, expanding career services, and adding new cocurricular activities and campus life experiences.

“Our goal in expanding student experience initiatives is to increase satisfaction and retention among our current students, while also providing the University with additional recruitment resources to attract a larger population of diverse prospective students and applicants,” Allen explained.

In addition to its efforts to improve student experience, the University will also build a foundation of aggressive recruiting and student support for extracurricular and intercollegiate athletics participation through its existing sports teams and create new teams and programs as part of the Eutectics Forward plan.

“Over the years, the University’s student-athletes have continued to lift the academic caliber of our institution, and we’ve seen very

high retention rates among our first-year student-athletes,” Allen noted. “With these factors in mind, we will be partnering new and existing athletic teams with our new academic programs in an effort to bolster enrollment and provide student-athletes with new ways to grow and learn with us.”

New athletic teams that will begin recruiting students for fall 2022 include:

- Baseball
- Men’s and Women’s Bowling
- Competitive Cheer
- Competitive Dance
- Men’s and Women’s Golf
- Men’s and Women’s Lacrosse
- Men’s Rugby
- Men’s and Women’s Wrestling

“The launch of our Eutectics Forward plan represents a major step forward in our efforts to become the institution of choice for students, faculty and staff across a range of health care practices and fields,” Allen said. “As we work to implement the combined initiatives outlined in the plan, our goal is to provide our current and future students with the best experiences possible and the tools they need to become leaders and innovators who can impact health care locally, nationally and globally for many years to come.”

REFER A STUDENT

At UHSP, students can discover their place in health care and learn to lead in the fields that they are passionate about. If you know a current high school or college student who is an exceptional candidate for our programs, submit a referral to the Office of Admissions at uhsp.edu/refer.

JOIN THE 2021 **FOUNDERS DAY** GIVING CHALLENGE

From our founding as St. Louis College of Pharmacy in 1864 to our new legacy as University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis, our community has educated pharmacy and health care professionals for more than 156 years.

Each fall, the UHSP community celebrates the anniversary of our founding through our Founders Day celebration focused on education and philanthropy. In 2018, the University launched the Founders Day Giving Challenge to bring the University community together in the spirit of giving back and supporting the next generation of health care leaders and innovators.

The Founders Day Giving Challenge helps ensure that every student has access to support as they pursue their dreams. Over the years, challenge donors have collectively donated more than \$63,000 for student-focused initiatives.

FOUNDERS DAY FUND

The Founders Day Fund, inspired by the pioneering and supportive spirit of our founders, is the focus of the challenge and supports initiatives that impact the student experience at UHSP, including:

- **Emergencies:** The fund aids students during medical emergencies or unforeseen times of need so they can continue their education.
- **Opportunities:** The fund provides access to educational experiences beyond the classroom to develop and enhance skills that will empower students in their future careers.
- **Scholarships:** The fund provides scholarship support to help students relieve their financial burden while pursuing their education at the University.

MAKE AN IMMEDIATE IMPACT

Of the collective challenge donations to the Founders Day Fund so far, \$45,000 has been distributed to 33 students in amounts ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 based on their financial need. The remaining funds for the year have been allocated to the Students of Concern Committee, which provides a confidential support system and early intervention for at-risk students.

COME TOGETHER

No challenge is too great when we come together for a united cause.

Join us again this year for the Founders Day Giving Challenge on Nov. 12 to honor our founders and their vision to support future generations of health care and pharmacy leaders.

Visit uhsp.edu/founderschallenge to learn more.

INTERESTED IN GETTING MORE INVOLVED?

From sponsoring a challenge gift to serving as a challenge ambassador, there are numerous opportunities to get more involved in the Founders Day Giving Challenge. If you are interested, **contact Vincent Piazza, annual giving officer, at 314.446.8395 or vincent.piazza@uhsp.edu to learn more.**

FOUNDERS DAY GIVING CHALLENGE **2018-2020**

271

TOTAL
DONORS

\$63,000

TOTAL
RAISED

437

TOTAL GIFTS



46%

Alumni

43%

Faculty and Staff

11%

UHSP Parents
and Friends

\$145

AVERAGE GIFT
AMOUNT

2/2

NUMBER OF
CHALLENGE
GIFTS
UNLOCKED

3/3

NUMBER OF YEARS
EXCEEDING
DONATION GOAL

HOW TO **PARTICIPATE**

There are many ways to show your support for UHSP and the Founders Day Giving Challenge on Nov. 12.

DONATE. Make your gift on Nov. 12 to the Founders Day Fund or any initiative you care about. Every gift makes a difference in the lives of our students.

SHARE. Spread the word about the challenge on social media and share your support for the University by using #UHSPFoundersChallenge. When you make a gift, you will receive an "I Support UHSP" graphic that you can also post to your social platforms.

FOLLOW. If you haven't already, follow the University on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter to stay updated on our challenge progress throughout the day and gain access to the latest University news throughout the year.

ASK. Encourage friends, classmates and colleagues to give, share and follow too.





GREAT THINGS AHEAD

On July 1, David D. Allen, RPh, Ph.D., took the helm as the fifth president of University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis. A passionate leader and changemaker, Allen brings to campus an enthusiasm and energy that is not only infectious but a perfect match for this pivotal moment in the University's history.

With a deep commitment to growing student opportunity through new programs and partnerships with regional health care institutions, enhancing the student and alumni experience and serving the underserved, Allen hopes to build off of the University's legacy and propel it to new heights.



A DYNAMIC CAREER IN PHARMACY

Allen comes to UHSP from the University of Mississippi where he served as dean of the School of Pharmacy, professor of biomolecular sciences and executive director and research professor of the Research Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

Before joining the University of Mississippi as dean of pharmacy in January 2012, Allen served as founding dean of pharmacy and professor of pharmaceutical sciences at Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED) College of Pharmacy, formerly Northeastern Ohio University College of Pharmacy, in Rootstown, Ohio. He also spent time as associate dean of curricular affairs at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy in Amarillo, Texas, and served as professor of physiology and pharmacology in NEOMED's College of Medicine while he was dean of pharmacy.

Allen earned his bachelor's degree in pharmacy at the University of Kentucky, then practiced community pharmacy for several years before returning to the University of Kentucky to earn his Ph.D. in pharmaceutical sciences.

The author of 74 peer-reviewed articles and 46 professional publications, and a contributor to seven books, Allen's research interests span a variety of topics including the blood-brain barrier and the connection between leadership development and advocacy in pharmacy education.

"While at Texas Tech, I focused on brain drug development and brain drug delivery," Allen said. "Over time, I became involved in more administrative aspects of the institution, serving on committees responsible for admissions, which lead to my research into predictors of success in programs. Since then, I have focused much of my research on leadership development and the role of advocacy within leadership development."



When Allen describes his personal approach to leadership, he says there is no better model than the inverted pyramid and good old-fashioned teamwork.

“At the top of the pyramid are our students,” Allen explained. “Everyone in the organization is within the pyramid, and I am at the very bottom. The responsibility of everyone within the pyramid, is to support our students and that may take many forms. My responsibility is to support everyone in the pyramid so we may be successful in our mission. One person’s success will not elevate our University as a whole, but the success of everyone will allow us to achieve great things as a community.”

Entwined in his approach to leadership and advocacy is Allen’s passion for equity, diversity and inclusion initiatives. As a past president of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP), Allen forged a partnership between AACP and the University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy to develop the organization’s first Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Institute in 2021. The institute provided attendees with opportunities and resources to expand their understanding of the impacts that equity, diversity and inclusion issues have on the profession of pharmacy and the communities they serve. Attendees were also challenged with developing an action plan for the organizations they represented.

“It is our duty as a profession and as people to engage in diversity and inclusion work, so we can be more effective in the care and support we provide to our communities,” Allen said. “It is something I am deeply passionate about, and I have already met with community leaders in the St. Louis area on ways University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis can champion initiatives that increase health care access for underserved communities and positively change the lives of our patients, our community and the professions within health sciences.”

THE FUTURE OF PHARMACY AND NEW PROGRAMS

Over the last decade, schools and colleges of pharmacy across the country have been navigating the rapidly changing landscape of pharmacy education and the profession. For many schools, this has meant anticipating the expanding role of pharmacy in health care and working to diversify programs to better meet the needs of today’s pharmacy students.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects a 10% growth from 2019 to 2029 in specialty areas of pharmacy that emphasize patient-centered care. For Allen, this anticipated growth is another exciting opportunity for pharmacy to make a positive impact in the community and in health care.

“I am a pharmacist first, and what I love about pharmacy is the ability to have an impact on people,” Allen said. “Through our accessibility, training, ability to provide expanded services and efforts to advocate for the profession, we have the opportunity to dramatically impact the lives of patients on an individual level. The faculty and preceptors who educate and train our student pharmacists play a key role in empowering them to be agents of positive change in health care and in communities.”

Through high-stakes relationship building with health care institutions in the region, Allen hopes to expand opportunities for students and faculty and engage the local health care community through mutually beneficial and sustainable partnerships.

“Through our accessibility, training, ability to provide expanded services and efforts to advocate for the profession, we have the opportunity to dramatically impact the lives of patients on an individual level.”



“When we were building the college of pharmacy at Northeast Ohio Medical University, I did not know any of the pharmacy directors or hospital administrators in northeast Ohio,” Allen said. “I had to hit the pavement. I reached out, talked about the mission and vision of what we wanted to accomplish and our focus on interprofessional education. Through those conversations, we were able to create partnerships that were win-win. If partnerships are not win-win, then they are not sustainable, and that sustainability is critical.”

Equally critical is an institution’s ability to remain nimble. As the University continues to develop new health sciences programs, Allen sees great potential for the University to not only

further distinguish itself among regional health care institutions but also provide students with a competitive edge in the job market.

“I strongly believe students deserve and are owed a quality education and experience. If students do not have a quality experience, they are not going to become deeply committed alumni. As president, I want to focus on being a student-centric administration and community.

“We need to be thoughtful about what we pick and choose in regard to new programs,” Allen explained. “We don’t necessarily want to compete with our neighbors, but we want to create programs that are complimentary to what we currently offer and are mission consistent. For example, a pharmacist with a data science degree or even a certificate in data science is in high demand, and it is embracing opportunities such

as new and complimentary programs like data science that will give our students and institution a competitive edge.”

INVESTING IN A POSITIVE STUDENT AND ALUMNI EXPERIENCE

The University has always prided itself on the family-like community that is felt on campus. Allen hopes to strengthen that sense of connection even more through initiatives that focus on the student and alumni experience.

“I am deeply committed to the student experience,” Allen said. “I strongly believe students deserve and are owed a quality education and experience. If students do not have a quality experience, they are not going to become deeply committed alumni. As president, I want to focus on being a student-centric administration and community.”

Closely tied with the student experience is student recruitment. Allen’s approach to recruitment is similar to his approach to creating a positive student experience.

“Student recruitment is not an office’s responsibility. It is everyone’s responsibility — faculty, staff, current students and alumni,” Allen explained. “If we want to attract stellar students, we all have to be involved and invested in that effort. This means having pharmacy champions from across the state going into middle schools and elementary schools and talking about our programs. It is a team effort.”

Allen notes that alumni play the biggest role in the University’s recruitment efforts, and he is eager to connect and develop relationships with alumni to learn more about their experiences as students.

“I want to develop relationships with all of our alumni, so I can understand the challenges they faced and what we can do to address them,” Allen said. “The history, pride and legacy of St. Louis College of Pharmacy has not gone away. We must build on that for the University to move forward. It is important to me that our alumni feel comfortable enough with me to talk about the past and their connection to our legacy, and I want to ensure that they are a part of the solution in our recruitment and student experience efforts.”



THE OLD AND THE NEW

Along with the milestone of installing a new president, the University has undergone incredible growth in the areas of research, new program development and an expanded brand.

“My tenure as president of UHSP could not have come at a more opportune time,” Allen said. “I am excited about the old and the new. The University has a rich history of excellence and the growth opportunities that we continue to pursue are steeped in that history of excellence. I’m honored to have this chance to work alongside our talented faculty and staff because of their deep commitment to the success of our institution.”

Though Allen admits that the saying “good to great” may sound trite, it perfectly embodies his vision for the University with the support of a strong, creative, dedicated and proud community alongside him. The future is bright for University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis, and as Allen likes to say, “great things ahead.”

SAILING INTO PHARMACY

When he headed into the Navy a year after finishing high school, Tyler Taylor, Pharm.D. '15, had no idea his career path would lead him to independent community pharmacy.

For six years, Taylor served as a nuclear reactor operator on a Navy submarine before realizing he needed a change.

"The Navy was a tough program, but it taught me a lot," Taylor said. "There, I learned how to manage myself and others, and I took advantage of a lot of educational opportunities. That experience made me realize that I was capable of understanding and doing anything I wanted to do."

As Taylor made the decision to leave the Navy, his future wife was attending pharmacy school at University at Buffalo, The State University of New York School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. In talking to her and learning more about her classes and the field of pharmacy, Taylor made the decision to attend the University at Buffalo where he earned his Bachelor of Science in Biology and began making plans to become a pharmacy student himself.

After getting married, the Taylors, both native St. Louisans, moved back to their hometown, and Taylor submitted his application to University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis.

"I was accepted as a transfer student in 2011, and it was a really unique year because there were 60 transfers," Taylor explained. "We all formed friendships quickly and worked together really well."

Throughout his time as a pharmacy student, Taylor had the opportunity to work with his father-in-law, Yusaf Beg, B.S. '81, who was the co-owner of St. Louis Hills Pharmacy. When Beg decided to retire, Taylor accepted an opportunity to buy the pharmacy in 2018.

As the current owner of St. Louis Hills Pharmacy, Taylor has established himself as a pharmacist and an entrepreneur who is committed to providing exceptional service to his customers and is constantly looking for new ways to broaden his business.

"Independent pharmacies can no longer rely solely on retail medication," Taylor noted. "We're not open 24-hours or located on every corner, so we have to give people a good reason to come to us. Personal service is one driving factor that keeps our customers coming back. We take time to really get to know our customers and show them we care. But, to continue to stay profitable, diversification of the business has been critical."

As St. Louis' only certified veteran pharmacy owner, Taylor has taken a variety of steps to diversify his business over the years, including offering unique services such as medication compounding, pet medications and free medication delivery. Taylor also offers customers access to a range of medical rental equipment.

In addition, Taylor is committed to going above and beyond to provide personalized and specialized patient care. His pharmacy offers health and wellness consultations, medication therapy management and COVID-19 rapid testing and vaccines. Taylor has also recently begun working with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Missouri Pharmacy Association to offer clinical services to help patients manage chronic conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, high cholesterol and asthma.

Through it all, Taylor credits the University for providing him with the foundation and skills needed to achieve success as an independent pharmacy owner.



"The University offered the opportunity for me to work at so many excellent rotation sites with great preceptors," Taylor said. "I gained experience at independent pharmacies, while also having the chance to work in retail pharmacy. I also did an informatics rotation and got to see a hospital pharmacy structure and how it was run. All of these experiences helped me acquire so much knowledge and helped solidify my desire to pursue community pharmacy."

Today, Taylor shares his knowledge with future generations of pharmacists through his own work as a preceptor.

"I let all of my students know about the many different opportunities and paths that are available within pharmacy," Taylor noted.

"But regardless of what paths they choose, I stress that being successful requires hard work in classes and rotations, a good mentor, a lifelong love for learning and the ability to learn independently. With those things, they can achieve the career they want in pharmacy."

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TYLER TAYLOR, PHARM.D. '15



A Good Deed Does **Not** Go **UNNOTICED**

INSPIRED BY A GOOD DEED THAT CHANGED HIS LIFE, GOURANG PATEL, B.S. '00, PHARM.D. '01, critical care pharmacist at the University of Chicago Medical Center, continues to pay his success forward as a member of the Alumni Council at University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis.

His enthusiasm for supporting students and the alumni community has been evident throughout his long-standing contributions to the University.

What motivated you to get involved at the University?

When I was a third-year student, my mom passed away. After she passed, it was difficult to make ends meet.

Thankfully, I earned a scholarship that provided me with the opportunity to continue my education. If not for that scholarship, I would not have made it to graduation.

Once I learned more about the Alumni Council's mission and the work they do to help current students and recent graduates, I knew I wanted to join and help make a difference.

What has your experience been like as a member of the Alumni Council?

I have reconnected with my peers, engaged new minds, educated students on critical care pharmacy, and served on University committees.

I joined the council because I wanted to help



new graduates reach their full potential, raise awareness about the important role pharmacists play in patient-centered care, and share the positive impact the profession has on patients.

The University provided me with the foundation I needed to excel and lead within the profession, and I hope to assist the next generation of health care leaders in achieving their goals.

What inspired you to establish the Praful and Niru Scholarship?

I established the scholarship in 2007 to honor my parents and pay forward the opportunity I had been given.

It is rewarding to be able to give back financially because the scholarship recipients are always grateful for the support.

I often think about how earning a scholarship was a turning point for me as a student. I hope that the recipients use this opportunity and their educational experience to make a positive impact on someone else.

THROUGH THE PRAFUL AND NIRU PATEL SCHOLARSHIP, GOURANG PATEL,

B.S. '00, PHARM.D. '01, has provided numerous scholarships to students throughout the past 14 years.

His financial support and service to the University continues to make a positive impact on students and the alumni community.

To learn how you can make a difference, visit uhsp.edu/give.

THE FOUNDATION OF IT ALL

As John Grigus III, B.S. '66, approached the end of his senior year in high school, his father, a pipefitter by trade, offered him three choices — join the military, pick a trade or go to college. After years of working in his uncle's drugstore, Grigus chose college. In fact, he chose St. Louis College of Pharmacy, now a part of University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis (UHSP) — the only school he applied to and his uncle's alma mater.

At St. Louis College of Pharmacy at UHSP, Grigus would create memories and forge lifelong friendships with classmates Tom Chiotti, B.S. '66; Rich Brandstedt, B.S. '65; and Bill O'Donnell, B.S. '65. Together, the friends explored St. Louis, leaving no stone unturned.

"The whole city was our campus, and I don't think we missed any spots," Grigus said. "On most college campuses, you're confined to just a square or a few blocks, but we lived close to Gaslight Square [a historic entertainment district located in what is now known as the Central West End], coffee shops, restaurants — it was great."

Grigus kept busy throughout his time at the college, balancing a part-time job, classes, fraternity duties, intramural sports and spending time with friends. Through it all, he developed a deep appreciation for the education he still feels privileged to have received.

"I had fantastic professors," Grigus said. "[Byron] Barnes [B.S. '51], [Leonard] Naeger [B.S. '63, M.S. '65], [Joe] Haberle, and [Frank L.] Mercer [Ph.G. '34, B.S. '35] all made sure we knew our stuff. When my son was considering pharmacy school, I called Haberle, and he told me, 'Make sure he gets his application in early, mail it to me, and I will personally deliver it to the dean.' He was just a tremendous guy."

After graduating from the college, Grigus moved back to Chicago where he practiced pharmacy for a few years and

was encouraged by his brother-in-law to pursue a career in dentistry. While attending Loyola University, Grigus found his pharmacy background complimented the dentistry curriculum well and even gave him an advantage.

"Because I had worked for a few years before going back to school, I was able to put myself through my first year of dental school, and I continued to work part time helping local independent pharmacies," Grigus said. "My pharmacy education made me a better dentist. I would tell my friends that continued to practice pharmacy that I used my pharmacy education every day. I would always ask my patients what medications they were on, just to make sure

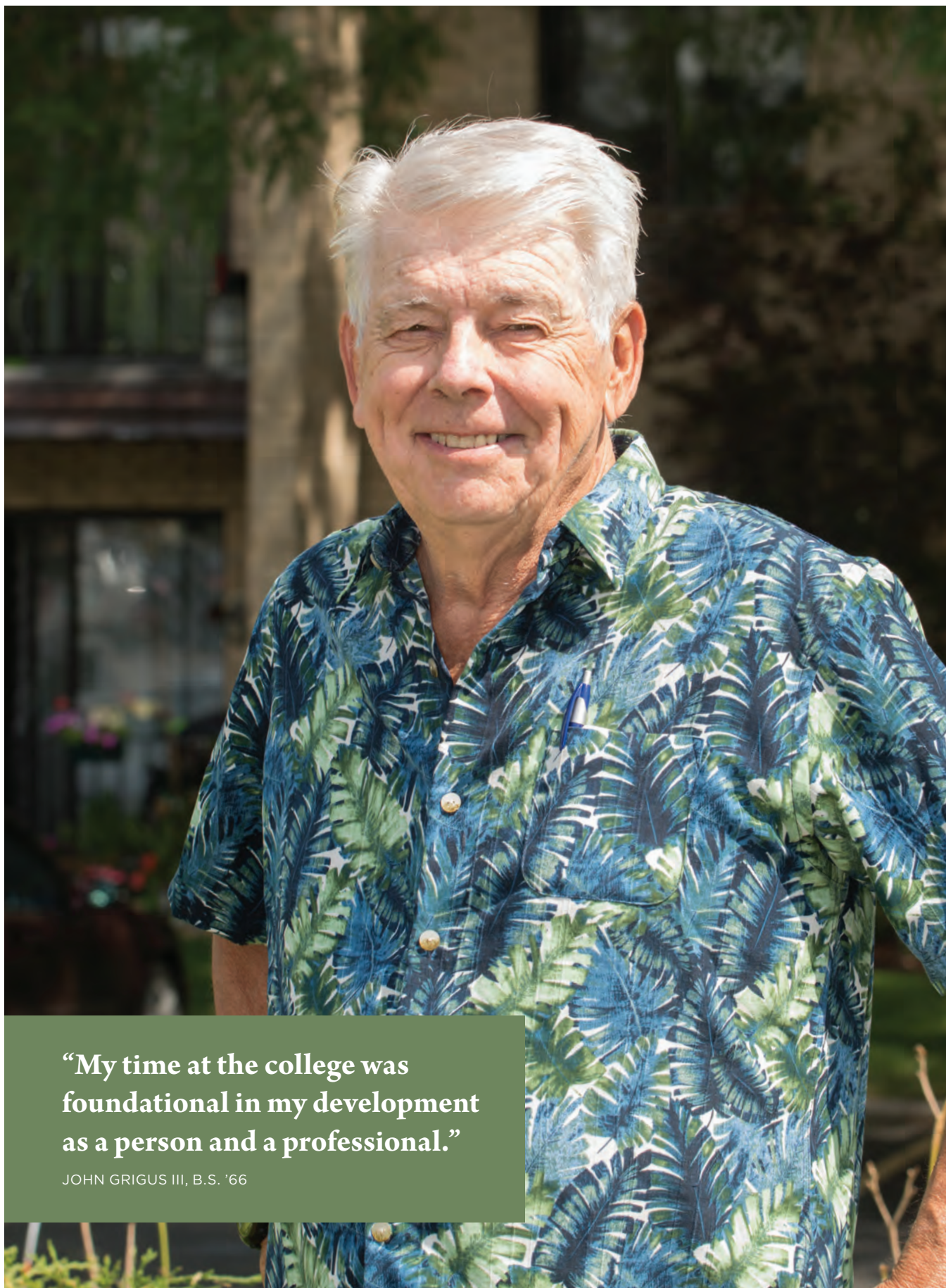
we avoided any adverse effects. It was a simple question that helped ensure I provided my patients with the best care possible."

Grigus retired from his private practice in 2020. Only a handful of months into retirement, Grigus is enjoying spending more time with his family, meeting his college friends for lunch, and getting back to traveling, including visiting campus and catching a White Sox-Cardinals game with other alumni.

Even after a 42-year career in dentistry, Grigus credits his pharmacy education for his successful and fulfilling career as a dentist.



"Without pharmacy, I would not have the life I do now and neither would my family," Grigus said. "I am so thankful for my St. Louis College of Pharmacy education. Pharmacy is a great profession, and I continue to encourage young people and my grandkids looking at colleges and future career paths to consider pharmacy. There is so much you can do with a pharmacy education, whether that means getting your master's or going into medicine, or other careers in health care. My time at the college was foundational in my development as a person and a professional."



“My time at the college was foundational in my development as a person and a professional.”

JOHN GRIGUS III, B.S. '66

Photography by Jean Lachat Photography

IT ALL BEGINS WITH A WHITE COAT

White coat ceremonies have long been a tradition at many colleges and schools of pharmacy, marking a student's passage into the Doctor of Pharmacy program. The class of 2006 was the first to experience the St. Louis College of Pharmacy at University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis White Coat Ceremony in 2002, in which students signed the Pledge of Professionalism and were coated.

"White Coat is a way for us to celebrate our students' entry into the professional program and help them recognize the significance of the next four years," said Tricia Berry, B.S. '94, Pharm.D. '95, assistant dean of student academic affairs and professor of pharmacy at the University. "We want our student pharmacists to begin to feel, act and think like pharmacists, even though they are still learning and practicing under supervision. This ceremony allows us to honor that transition and their new responsibilities."

The responsibilities that accompany a student's transition into the professional program go beyond their commitment to their studies. The Pledge of Professionalism, signed and recited by all UHSP student pharmacists, highlights the characteristics and values intrinsic to a successful career as a student pharmacist and beyond.

"The pledge brings to the forefront the qualities essential to professional practice in health care," Berry said. "The pledge to maintain the highest ideals and professional attributes to facilitate the covenantal relationship between a pharmacist and their patient is particularly important to me.

Having that relationship means putting your patients' needs first, and it emphasizes the important role pharmacists play in improving patient outcomes."

Every year, members of the University community are encouraged to participate in the White Coat Ceremony by sponsoring a student's white coat. This tradition has long been a favorite among alumni because it helps deepen their connection to the institution and strengthen their ties to the next generation of student pharmacists.

"I often sponsor white coats for incoming students because it is a great opportunity to congratulate and encourage them as they start their professional journey. It begins the professional networking process and builds a sense of family," Berry said. "I enjoy getting thank-you notes from the students whose coats I have sponsored, and I have known students who remember and interact with their white coat sponsor throughout their professional program. It means a lot to the students and can create a special bond."

The St. Louis College of Pharmacy White Coat Ceremony continues to be one of the great highlights of the academic year. For incoming student pharmacists, it is a pivotal moment in their academic and professional careers. For the wider campus community, it is a celebration of our dedicated students, our legacy, and the University's pursuit of excellence in health education.

For information on the 2021 White Coat Ceremony, visit uhsp.edu/whitecoat.



PLEDGE OF PROFESSIONALISM

As a student at St. Louis College of Pharmacy at UHSP, I understand that I need to build and reinforce a professional identity founded on integrity, ethical behavior and honor. This development, a vital process of my education, will help ensure that I am true to the professional relationship I establish between myself and society as I become a member of the pharmacy community. Integrity will be an essential part of my everyday life, and it is incumbent upon me to pursue all academic and professional endeavors with honesty and a strong commitment to service.

To accomplish this goal of professional development, as a student at St. Louis College of Pharmacy at UHSP, I will:

ACCEPT the responsibility for my education and become an independent or active learner rather than a dependent or passive learner. I understand that to become educated to optimally provide pharmaceutical care, I must know what questions to ask and where the answers to these questions can be found.

DEVELOP a sense of loyalty and duty to the profession by contributing to the well-being of others and by enthusiastically accepting responsibility and accountability for membership in the profession.

FOSTER professional competence through lifelong learning. I will strive for high ideals, teamwork, and unity within the profession in order to provide optimal patient care.

SUPPORT my colleagues by actively encouraging personal commitment of the Oath of a Pharmacist and the Code of Ethics for Pharmacists as set forth by the profession.

DEDICATE my life and practice to excellence. This will require an ongoing reassessment of my personal and professional values.

MAINTAIN the highest ideals and professional attributes to ensure and facilitate the covenantal relationship required of a pharmacist.

The profession of pharmacy is one that demands adherence to a set of rigid ethical standards. These high ideals are necessary to ensure the quality of care extended to the patients I serve. As a student of pharmacy, I believe this does not start with graduation; rather, it begins with my membership in this professional college community. Therefore, I must strive to uphold these standards as I advance toward full membership in the profession of pharmacy.

ALUMNI NEWS

Alumni Council Welcomes New Members

The University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis Alumni Council welcomed two new members this summer: **Harold Carter, Pharm.D. '11**, and **Annie Eisenbeis, Pharm.D. '14**.

Carter, based in St. Louis, is the vice president of pharma trade relations at Express Scripts Inc. Eisenbeis, based in Columbia, Missouri, is director of practice development at the Missouri Pharmacy Association.

Thank you to **Chrissi Glastetter, B.S. '04, Pharm.D. '05**, and **Pete Zimmerman, B.S. '63**, who rotated off the council this summer, for their loyal service to the University and alumni community.

About the Alumni Council

The Alumni Council is a group of committed alumni who are passionate about the University's mission and its alumni community. In September 2020, the alumni board of directors transitioned to an Alumni Council to better align with its advisory role within the colleges and departments of the University. The Council represents the UHSP alumni community as advisers to the Office of Alumni Relations and alumni ambassadors in the wider community.

Interested in joining the Alumni Council?

Applications for the Alumni Council are accepted year-round.

Visit uhsp.edu/alumni for more information or to apply for a council position.



Recognizing the Mortar and Pestle Society

Throughout the history of University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis, our University community has been focused on giving back to patients, the community and our institution. The UHSP Mortar and Pestle Society is one of many ways our community continues to give back by honoring those who have made a significant impact on students and the University by contributing \$1,000 or more annually to the University.

While event restrictions prevented an in-person Mortar and Pestle Society Dinner this year, we want to thank each of you for your dedication to the University and student success. Congratulations to our recent Distinguished Service Award winners and our newest Lifetime level members!

- **2020 Distinguished Service Award**
Kevin Colgan, B.S. '77
- **2021 Distinguished Service Award**
Bob Flynn, B.S. '66

2020 NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS

- Todd, B.S. '85, and Norma, B.S. '85, Armstrong
- Margaret, B.S. '86, and Quent Besing
- Elaine E. (Hinrichs), B.S. '86, and Peter L., B.S. '82, Haynes
- Dale, B.S. '66, and Maureen Heise
- Mark W., B.S. '75, and Laura Ann (Stanczak), B.S. '76, Lotz
- Sara K. Richter, Pharm.D. '12
- Mrs. (Wm.) Nancy Trebilcock

2019 NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS

- Anthony, B.S. '71, and Donna Budde
- Elizabeth and Kyle Keserauskis
- Ryan P. Moenster, B.S. '04, Pharm.D. '05
- Michael A. and Pamela S. Sass
- Alex Y., B.S. '97, Pharm.D. '98, and Svetlana, B.S. '98, Vayman

JOIN TODAY

Learn how you can support students and campus initiatives through the Mortar and Pestle Society by visiting uhsp.edu/mp or contacting Vincent Piazza, annual giving officer, at vincent.piazza@uhsp.edu or 314.446.8395.



THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING OUR VIRTUAL TRIVIA EVENT

Thank you to our alumni near and far who participated in our virtual Trivia Night in February! The incredible support of our participants and sponsors helped the Alumni Council raise \$4,000 for student scholarships and initiatives.

Save the date for our 2022 event, which we hope to host on campus on Saturday, Feb. 5.

RESEARCH CORNER

As we advance a growing research agenda at University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis, we are creating new opportunities for students and faculty to shape the future of health care.

Faculty across the University continue to pursue exciting and unique research projects, which foster collaborations within the scholastic community and throughout our local community, while making an important impact on the future of patient care.

- **Tom Burris, Ph.D., FAAAS, FAHA**, Alumni Chair in Pharmaceutical Education and vice president for research, was ranked among the top 150 pharmacologists in the world in the 2020 Highly Cited Researchers List published by Clarivate.

The list identifies researchers worldwide who have demonstrated significant influence in their chosen field through the publication of multiple highly cited papers during the past decade. Burris was ranked on the 2020 list in the field of Pharmacology and Toxicology.

- **Paul Juang, Pharm.D., FASHP, FCCM, BCPS, BCCCP**, professor of pharmacy practice, and **Scott Micek, Pharm.D., FCCP, BCPS**, professor of pharmacy practice and director of the University's Center for Health Outcomes Research and Education, have received grant funding from Merck & Co. to study

the financial implications for hospitals and treatment centers using newer and broader spectrum antibiotics to treat critically ill patients.

There is great potential that the findings could impact future treatment approaches for patients with a high number of risk factors for resistant infections and uncover a more effective and efficient patient care approach.

- **Giovanni Pauletti, M.Pharm., Ph.D.**, interim dean of St. Louis College of Pharmacy, Endowed Pfeiffer Chair in Pharmacy, associate dean for graduate studies and professor of pharmaceuticals, received grant funding from the World Health Organization to conduct a study that could make it easier for developing nations to provide crucial medications to their people in a cost-effective manner.

External research funding from distinguished organizations, like those listed above, is a significant contributor to the success of our research program. As the University has continued to expand its foothold as a distinguished research institution, it continues to gain recognition for its efforts.

Stay up to date on research and faculty accomplishments at the University at uhsp.edu/news.



ALUMNI BOOK CLUB

Now is the time to join the virtual UHSP Alumni Book Club!

Members make a book selection every two months, with the manuscripts spanning a variety of topics and genres, including health care and professional development. Log in to read and contribute to discussion on our current (or Aug-Oct, depending when will mail) book “Think like a Rocket Scientist: Simple Strategies You Can Use to Make Giant Leaps in Work and Life,” by Ozan Varol. Members can also participate in an author talk with Varol on Sept. 29 at 2 p.m. EST.

The club, which will begin its next book, “Book of Longings,” by Sue Monk Kidd, in mid-October, is a great way to connect with fellow alumni, faculty and staff, network with other health care professionals, and share advice and resources all on your own time.

There is no cost to join. You just need to obtain a copy of the book to enjoy! Don’t miss out on this exciting program with the opportunity to connect with peers in the UHSP community and embrace lifelong learning.

Learn more and join the UHSP Book Club today at uhsp.edu/alumni.



JOIN THE ALUMNI WINE CLUB

Love wine or interested in learning more about the varieties and science behind it? Join the UHSP Alumni Wine Club in partnership with Moonbase Cellars!

Founded by Laine (Rapp) Pauk, Pharm.D. '12, and her husband, Drew, Moonbase Cellars produces wine in Walla Walla, Washington. Alumni who opt-in will receive a UHSP-branded corkscrew, access to a library of videos on wine education and tasting notes, and invitations to special wine-focused events hosted by UHSP Alumni.

Our first special event, which will be free for wine club members, will be a live, virtual program on Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. CST. During the event, Bryon Goeckner, B.S. '93, Pharm.D. '94, will lead an at-home tasting with wines that will pair well with your holiday dinner.

Visit uhsp.edu/alumnievents to learn more about this and other alumni programs.

COURSE SPOTLIGHT

University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis is committed to educating the next generation of health care leaders through our innovative academic offerings. Each issue, we highlight a course in the curriculum that enhances student experience, knowledge and skills.

PHARMACY PRACTICE SKILLS LAB 1

The Pharmacy Practice Skills Lab 1 course is taken during the first professional year. The course is the first in the pharmacy practice skills lab series and is taught in conjunction with the University's patient care course series. This course provides hands-on training designed to help students develop the skills they need to become competent pharmacists.

During the Pharmacy Practice Skills Lab 1 course, students use the MyDispense community pharmacy platform, which simulates a community pharmacy workflow.

The platform allows students to practice the total dispensing process from initial review for errors and omissions, calculation of days supply, and product selection to final verification.

In addition, the students practice patient counseling skills through role play activities and recommending over-the-counter medications. Pharmacist and technician responsibilities and workflows are also compared in the course.

Course themes include accurate and safe prescription processing and effective patient counseling for prescription and over-the-counter medications.

1. Per CSR 220-2.018, does this prescription include all the required components? If not, please explain.
2. Verify that this prescription is filled and labeled correctly. Use Lexicomp for medication identification.
3. Which of the following is an abbreviation that should not be used per Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP)?
 - a. BID
 - b. NPO
 - c. OD
 - d. TID

Answers on page 34.

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Prescriber Signature *[Signature]*

Use separate form for each controlled substance prescription

John Doolittle, M.D.
 1 Times Square
 St. Louis, MO 63108
 (314) 600-4321
 DEA # AM1230452

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Address: *4449 Price Ave*

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 Felix Holden
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 9548 Veterans Place
 Date filled: today
 QTY: 30
 Dr: John Doolittle
 Discard after: one year

Prescription vial contents: 2890

[Image of two blue capsules]

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

19 | Picnic and Tours at the Saint Louis Zoo *Free for M&P Society members

25 | Cards vs. Cubs Reception and Game at Wrigley Field, Chicago

30 | Alumni Social, 6 p.m., Rolla, Mo.

OCTOBER

7 | Salary Negotiations for Pharmacists Webinar, 7 p.m., Virtual

7 | Mercer Society Lunch with President Allen, 11:30 a.m., Campus

16 | Scottsdale Alumni Social with ACCP alumni attendees, 6:30 p.m.

18 | STLCOP ACPE Accreditation Review, 7 p.m., Virtual

23-24 | Visit our booth at the IPhA/MPA Joint Annual Conference, St. Louis

28 | Hemm Leadership Society Reception, 6 p.m., UHSP Campus

NOVEMBER

2 | Wine Seminar with Bryon Goeckner, B.S. '93, Pharm.D. '94, 7:30 p.m., Virtual

13 | Reunion, UHSP Campus

DECEMBER

5 | Orlando Alumni Reception with ASHP alumni attendees, Orlando

11 | Alumni Garden GLOW Reception at Missouri Botanical Garden, 5:30 p.m., St. Louis

SAVE THE DATE FOR REUNION 2021

Saturday, Nov. 13, 2021

Since we missed our 2020 reunion, this year's celebration will be bigger and better than ever!

Held during Founders Day Weekend, Reunion gives all alumni and their families the opportunity to join with former classmates and reflect on their time at the University, and this year's celebrations will be even more memorable as we celebrate the investiture of David D. Allen, RPh, Ph.D., as the fifth president of University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis.

Classes ending in 0, 1, 5 and 6 will be honored, and members of the classes of 1970 and 1971 will be inducted into the Gold Alumni Chapter in recognition of the 50th anniversary of their graduation from St. Louis College of Pharmacy at UHSP.

Visit uhsp.edu/reunion for more information on this year's schedule of events and to reserve your tickets.

CLASSNOTES

1960s

John Grigus III, B.S. '66, retired October 2020 from his private practice and encourages fellow alumni to reach out through email at jgrigusiii@yahoo.com.



JOHN GRIGUS III

Bob Flynn, B.S. '66, received the Mortar and Pestle Society's Distinguished Service Award for 2021. **Kevin Colgan, B.S. '77**, received the award in 2020. Both recipients will be recognized at the giving society's recognition dinner on Friday, April 29, 2022.

1980s

Thank you to **Paul Beahm, B.S. '85**, for leading the UHSP Presidential Selection Committee over the past 18 months. The committee, along with consideration from major University stakeholders, selected David D. Allen, RPh, Ph.D., as the institution's next president.

Dan Winkelmann III, B.S. '85, received a Generosity of Joseph award from the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet in recognition of his medical missions to Nepal.



DAN WINKELMANN III

1990s

Jill Sellers, B.S. '92, Pharm.D. '93, hosts the "On Medical Grounds" podcast, which focuses on bringing scientific and medical knowledge to the airwaves. You can listen wherever you subscribe to podcasts or visit onmedicalgrounds.com.



JILL SELLERS

2000s

Casey Dugan, B.S. '01, Pharm.D. '02, MBA, received the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Excellence in Pharmacy Award for his work at Children's Hospital Colorado to expand children's hospital pharmacy services across the state.

Laura Butkievich, Pharm.D. '06; Joel Hennenfent, B.S. '96; and Emily Owen, Pharm.D. '12, were elected as delegates for the Missouri Society of Health-System Pharmacists for 2021-2022.

1. Yes, this prescription contains all required components per CSR 220—2.018.
2. The technician typed the wrong drug (fluoxetine 20 mg vs duloxetine 20 mg) and selected the wrong patient (Felicia Colden vs Felix Holden).
3. Choice C ("OD") is an error prone abbreviation that should not be used, instead the full words "right eye" should be written or typed out. OD can be mistaken as AD (right ear), QD (1 time daily) or QOD (every other day).

This issue of Script includes Class Notes submitted through June 14, 2021.

2010s

Annie Eisenbeis, Pharm.D. '14, graduated from University of Missouri with her Executive Master of Business Administration in May. Annie is the director of practice development at the Missouri Pharmacy Association.

Lauren Palmier, Pharm.D. '14, graduated from University of Maryland at Baltimore with a Master of Science in Medical Cannabis Science and Therapeutics.

Amanda (Wong) Min, Pharm.D. '16, and her husband welcomed their first child, daughter Alannah, on April 11.

Jessica Merlo, Pharm.D. '17, and **Jacob Helton, Pharm.D. '18**, married on March 20. The couple resides in Beaverton, Oregon.



JESSICA MERLO AND JACOB HELTON

Amy (Wong) Yim, Pharm.D. '19, married Kyle Yim on Dec. 27, 2020. The couple resides in California.



AMY (WONG) YIM AND KYLE YIM

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In Memoriam

Blair G. Balk, B.S. '53,
of St. Louis, died Feb. 12.

Robert C. Seal, B.S. '58,
of Ballwin, Missouri, died March 8.

Perry J. Mendelson, B.S. '60, M.S. '62,
of St. Louis, died March 31.

Robert M. Sigel, B.S. '61,
of St. Louis, died March 5.

John T. Hunt, B.S. '62,
of Rockford, Illinois, died Sept. 4, 2020.

Sylvan H. Cohen, B.S. '65,
of Hannibal, Missouri, died March 1.

Edward E. Duffy, B.S. '65,
of Pleasant Plains, Illinois, died Feb. 27.

William Paul Bockewitz, Sr., B.S. '66,
of Forest, Virginia, died April 27.

Pat Curran, B.S. '89,
of Fenton, Missouri, died May 11.

Angela Anne Campanella, B.S. '91,
of Pevely, Missouri, died May 29.

Ava L. DuBois, B.S. '91, Pharm.D. '01,
of Shiloh, Illinois, died Nov. 26, 2020.

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RECOGNIZING A LEGACY

The University recognizes the following spring 2021 legacy graduates who have followed in the footsteps of a family member who is also an alumnus of the University. Don't see your legacy listed? Update your information with us at uhsp.edu/alumni.

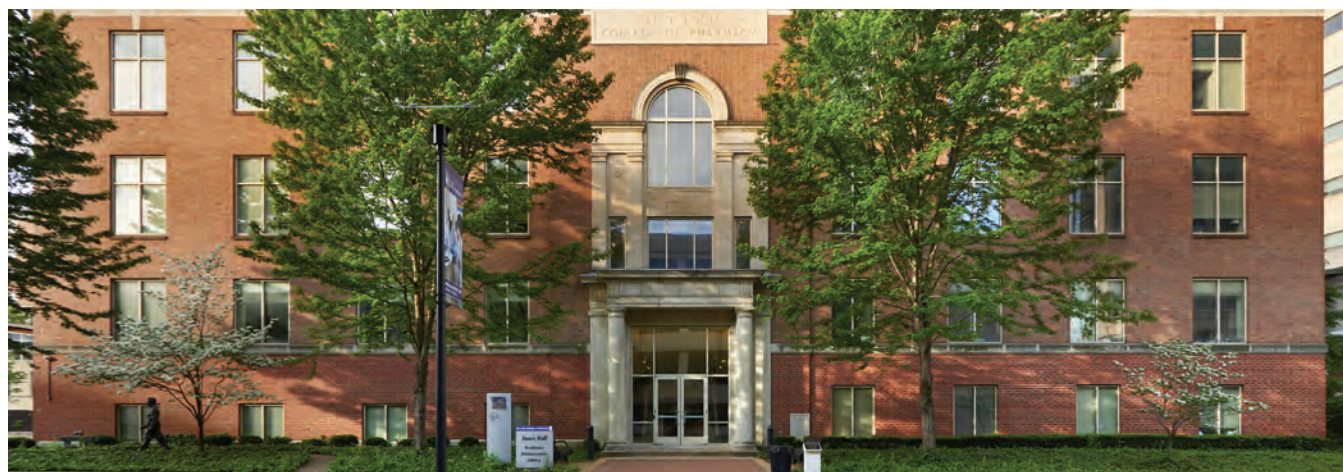
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