New Dual PharmD-MBA Program with UT Knoxville

UTHSC and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville have come together to offer a dual PharmD-MBA program.

This program stems from necessity, as “decisions have to be made every day that require balancing cost and customization, all with a focus towards the best possible patient care,” according to Amy Cathey, executive director of the full time MBA program. The program will take five years, with the students earning their PharmD first, and then spending the remaining year concentrating on the MBA program. Participating in the dual program saves students a full semester of coursework. The MBA program will focus on innovation, business analytics, shopper marketing, and supply chain management. Once the MBA program is completed, students will be prepared for a career in management and leadership positions across the profession, from retail pharmacy management to federal government positions.

For more information on the MBA program, visit http://MBA.utk.edu or email MBA@utk.edu.
MORE TOP STORIES

New Pharmacy Building Dedication

The new Memphis Campus College of Pharmacy Building Dedication will be held on Thursday, August 25, 2011 at 10am CT. The building is a state of the art learning facility that will be open to students and faculty for classes this month. The building is 183,857 square feet on 6 floors, plus a partial basement. This building will house research facilities, classrooms, auditoriums, student lounge, pharmacy museum, atrium, administration offices, faculty and staff offices, computer lab, technology center, conference rooms, resident offices, and graduate student offices. To RSVP for the dedication, please call (901)448-5295 or email eanderson@uthsc.edu by August 15, 2011. Parking for the dedication will be available at 930 Madison.

FACULTY

Stephan Foster Receives Public Service Award and Named Founding Member of Edward Jenner Society

Dr. Stephan Foster, Professor of Clinical Pharmacy and Vice Chair of Community Programs, was awarded the Alumni Public Service Award on June 17, 2011 at the UT Alumni Associations Board of Governors Banquet in Knoxville. “I am honored to receive this Alumni Public Service Award. As a retired Public Health Service Officer, I am grateful that the University of Tennessee encourages and rewards its faculty to engage in service to the university, the state, and the nation,” stated Foster.

Dr. Foster was also invited to be one of the founding members of the Edward Jenner Society, a society devoted to academic vaccinologists. A founding member is one who is a “senior level scientist, physician, or veterinarian who supported the founding and initial development of The Edward Jenner Society through their participation, professional networks and contacts, and financial contributions to the Society.” (www.edwardjennersociety.org)
Bernd Meibohm Elected to ACCP Board of Regents

Dr. Bernd Meibohm, Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Associate Dean of the Graduate Programs and Research, will serve a five-year term as Regent for the American College of Clinical Pharmacology (ACCP). The Board of Regents is the elected governing body of ACCP. ACCP is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to advancing clinical pharmacology with the goal of providing exceptional patient care. Its membership is comprised of a wide spectrum of healthcare professionals devoted to improving health by optimizing therapeutics and providing innovative leadership and interdisciplinary education that will enable the generation, integration, and translation of scientific knowledge to optimize research, development, and utilization of medication for the benefit of all. ACCP is one of the few professional organizations that truly combines equal numbers of MDs, PharmDs, and PhDs for a multidisciplinary approach to improving health by optimizing therapeutics.

Todd Bess Receives Tennessee Kidney Foundation Civic Award

Dr. Todd Bess, Associate Professor of Clinical Pharmacy and Assistant Dean for Middle Tennessee, was presented the Tennessee Kidney Foundation Civic Award at their Annual Awards Banquet on June 23, 2011 at Richland Country Club in Nashville. This award was for the generous support from the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy to the Tennessee Kidney Foundation in relation to their education mission. By using the College’s smart classroom technology, they were able to provide education statewide (Knoxville, Memphis, and Nashville) from the UTCOP Clinical Education Center. Special thanks to our IT staff, Sheila Cooper, and Dr. Jason Carter for their support with this partnership.

Terreia Jones Featured in Grace Magazine

Dr. Terreia Jones, Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy, was featured in Grace Magazine’s Winter Edition. The article, which focused on the fact that African-American women comprised less than 1% of science and engineering professors in 2006, highlighted Dr. Jones’ path into the field of science, and more specifically, adult brain cancer research. Dr. Jones studied microbiology at Mississippi State University, received her PharmD degree from UTCOP, and has been a faculty member since 2006. She is a recipient of the UTHSC Clinical and Translational Science Institute’s K12 Scholars Grant. This grant allows her to devote 75% of her time to her adult brain cancer research.
Retirements

The College of Pharmacy expresses their gratitude for the dedicated service of the following retirees:

- Dr. Emily B. Hak, PharmD, BCPS, BCNSP, FCCP
  Professor, Clinical Pharmacy
- Dr. Lawrence J. Hak, PharmD, BCPS, FCCP
  Professor, Clinical Pharmacy
- Karin Ingram
  Coordinator, College of Pharmacy
- Dr. Eugene B. Smith Jr, PharmD, MPH
  Associate Professor, Clinical Pharmacy
- Dr. George C. Wood, PhD
  Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences

New Faculty

We welcome several new members to the College of Pharmacy Faculty:

**Dr. Rebecca Chhim**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy. Dr. Chhim received her PharmD from UTCOP and completed her PGY1 and PGY2 residencies at Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital in Memphis. Dr. Chhim’s practice will focus on Pediatric Pharmacotherapy at Le Bonheur.

**Dr. Anthony Guarascio**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy. Dr. Guarascio completed his PharmD at West Virginia University School of Pharmacy. He completed a PGY1 residency at Memorial University Medical Center in Savannah, Georgia, and completed a PGY2 residency in infectious disease at West Virginia University Hospital. Dr. Guarascio’s practice will focus on Infectious Disease at the University of Tennesse Medical Center in Knoxville.

**Dr. Shaun Rowe**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy. Dr. Rowe received his PharmD from Campbell University School of Pharmacy in North Carolina and completed a PGY1 residency at the University of Tennessee Medical Center (UTMC) in Knoxville. He has worked for several years as a Pharmacist Specialist in Trauma at UTMC, while also serving as a UTCOP Preceptor and as the PGY1 Residency Program Director. Dr. Rowe’s practice will focus on Neurology at UTMC.

**Dr. Emma Tillman**, Research Assistant Professor, Department of Clinical Pharmacy. Dr. Tillman completed her PharmD at Butler University, completed a PGY1 residency at Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital in Memphis, and participated in three fellowships in the Children’s Foundation Research Center (CFRC) and Center for Pediatric Pharmacokinetics and Therapeutics at Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital.
Faculty Spotlight – Retiree Dr. Eugene B. Smith

You are a UT College of Pharmacy alumnus. Describe your educational experience. I graduated from the University of Tennessee with a Bachelor’s of Science in Pharmacy in June 1969 and was fortunate to be selected in the second PharmD class at UT. We began working immediately in the program, and I graduated with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree in September 1970. It was an incredible opportunity to develop pilot programs in the hospitals and learn through experience.

Before you came to UT, you worked in the Indian Health Service in Gallup, New Mexico. What can you tell us about your career in Indian Health Service? Because of my training at UT, I was fortunate enough to be selected by the Indian Health Service to be the Inpatient Clinical Pharmacist at the Gallup Indian Medical Center on the Navajo Indian Reservation. This position led to a Chief Pharmacist position, and I then became Chief Pharmacist of the Navajo Area within my first 5 years of practice. The Navajo Reservation has over 250,000 Navajo People and is served through six hospitals and over twenty ambulatory clinics staffed by over thirty-five hundred employees. I served as the Chief Pharmacist for 20 years. Additional duties arose during that time, and I became the Quality Assurance office for the Navajo Area in charge of accreditation with the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) and the electronic medical record service. Because of that position, I was sent for a Masters in Public Health at the University of Hawaii, graduating in December 1979. My experience working in the Indian Health Service was incredible. I became part of the team with the physicians and I learned from them and was mentored by them. My experience with the Navajo Indian People was rewarding as the needs were so great and the people appreciated their care and their providers. I was able to communicate with them and learn from them both their culture and their health care needs and especially that each person is unique.

You’ve done so many things here at UT College of Pharmacy. What have been some of the highlights of your time here? The highlight of my time at UT was the opportunity to work with some of the most outstanding students and faculty in the nation. For example, do you know that Dr. Glen Farr has the most outstanding pharmacy continuing education program in the country? Or that Dean Gourley established the partnership of UT COP with UT Extension Service in 1998 and it remains the model for community outreach by a College of Pharmacy in the US? Also, the UT Community Pharmacy Residency is one of the first and finest programs in the country and is unique in having weekly conferences with all residents attending by video conference. Working with Drs. Cindy Smith and Steve Foster to help the residents accomplish their goals has been a blessing. The international pharmacy students have been a delight every year and I want to thank Stephanie Weathers for making it happen. With the help of Jeff Bogue, I was able to be involved in student scholarships, which I enjoyed as well. My time at UT has been very rewarding.

What advice would you give to Pharmacy students as they prepare for their own career? My career path shows that your education is the key and foundation to future opportunities. Also, it demonstrates that some outstanding pharmacists and physicians invested in me to allow me to grow into these positions of responsibility and build on that foundation. I learned from their example and made my goal of a career spent serving others. My experiences taught me the value of documentation, so I learned to set 20 annual personal and professional goals to keep my purpose and priorities in life in focus. I also keep a personal journal of daily events so I can “see” God at work in my life.

Congratulations on your retirement this month! What do you plan to do during retirement? I will retire to live on our family farm south of Knoxville. Obviously my wife, family, and friends invested in me so I am looking forwarding to spending more time with them. I grew up in East Tennessee and love it, so I have a lot of places to see and things to do in retirement.
Dean Gourley Reception and Resolution at TPA

At the 124th Annual Convention of the Tennessee Pharmacists Association in Kingsport, Dr. Baeteena Black presented Dean Gourley with a Resolution adopted by TPA’s House of Delegates on July 18, 2011. This Resolution is to recognize the hard work and dedication that Dean Gourley has put into not only into his role as Dean of the College of Pharmacy at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, but also his contributions to advancing the profession of pharmacy. The complete text of the Resolution is included on page 14. Some highlights to note are that since Dean Gourley became our Dean in 1989, he has initiated the international rotation program; opened the Knoxville campus; as well as clinical sites throughout the state; received numerous awards; and will soon open the new Pharmacy Building on the Memphis campus. Throughout his career he has authored 69 manuscripts, 11 proceedings, and edited 16 books. Congratulations, Dean Gourley, and thank you; we are proud to have such an honored member of the profession as our Dean.

Mahato Visits UMKC

Dr. Ram Mahato, Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences (second from left) visited the Division of Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) on July 7, 2011. He was invited to visit the department by his former graduate student, Dr. Kun Cheng, who has worked there as an Assistant Professor since 2007. Dr. Cheng has established several independent research projects in targeted delivery of small-molecule and macromolecule drugs for the treatment of breast cancer, prostate cancer, alcoholic liver fibrosis, and type I diabetes and has been funded by the Department of Defense (DoD) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Dr. Mahato was invited to give a research presentation on the applications of polymeric nanomedicines in prostate cancer, which was well attended by the students, faculty, and the Dean of the School of Pharmacy. “Particularly impressive was the caliber of questions the students asked,” noted Dr. Mahato, “showing their understanding of the concepts and their grasp of the field. While visiting the research laboratories, I was also impressed by the enthusiasm displayed by the students, a fact that will indeed help them greatly in their future endeavors.”
UTCOP Faculty, Staff and Students Attend 2011 AACP Annual Meeting

The 2011 AACP Annual Meeting was held July 9-13 in San Antonio, Texas. Representing UTCOP were faculty members Drs. Hassan Almoazen, LB Brown, Debbie Byrd, Peter Chyka, Jim Eoff, Michelle Zingone Farland, Andrea Franks, Stephanie Phelps, and Max Ray; Student Services Coordinator Stephanie Weathers; and students Mark Dunnenberger, Morgan Honeycutt (Walmart Scholar), and Kelly Monteen (Walmart Scholar). Dr. Debbie Byrd, along with speakers from other schools (see Presentations on page 11), presented a Special Session on “Work-life Balance: Part-time and Co-funded Faculty Positions, Considerations, and Challenges.” Dr. Andrea Franks, along with speakers from other schools (see Presentations on page 11), presented a Special Session on “The Science of Learning and Teaching: from Research to Practice.” Drs. Andrea Franks and Michelle Farland presented a poster (see Posters on page 12) on “Team Performance in a Team Based Learning Course.” Dr. LB Brown is served as the AACP House of Delegates Parliamentarian, while Dr. Hassan Almoazen served as our faculty delegate.

Dr. Franks presenting “The Science of Learning and Teaching: from Research to Practice”

Drs. Franks and Farland with their poster
Debbie Byrd Attends Harvard Graduate School of Education

Dr. Debbie Byrd, Professor of Clinical Pharmacy and Associate Dean for Professional Affairs, attended the 2011 Management Development Program offered by Harvard’s Graduate School of Education in June. She was one of 98 participants selected from across the US and 13 countries around the world. The intense program is designed to enhance mid-level university administrators’ leadership skills within their own college, and to broaden contributions to more institution-wide goals. Other pharmacy faculty in attendance (pictured left to right) are Sarah Scarpace, Assistant Dean for Pharmacy Professional Affairs at Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; Michelle Easton, Dean of School of Pharmacy at University of Charleston; Cathy Poon, Executive Vice Chair of Pharmacy Practice and Pharmacy Administration at University of the Sciences Philadelphia College of Pharmacy; Debbie Byrd, Associate Dean for Professional Affairs at UTCOP; and Bhaskara Jasti, Chair of Department of Pharmaceutics and Medicinal Chemistry at Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Science, University of the Pacific.

PUBLICATIONS


- Clark RA, **Foster SL.** Updated recommendations on the use of antivirals for influenza. Posted on APhA Immunization Website “Ask the Experts” at [www.pharmacist.com](http://www.pharmacist.com) April 8, 2011.

- **Foster SL.** Recent rundown of topics covered at recent ACIP meeting. Pharmacy Today. 2011:17(4);27.


- **Foster SL.** Q&A from APhA immunization webinar. Posted on APhA Immunization Website “Ask the Experts” at [www.pharmacist.com](http://www.pharmacist.com) March 17, 2011.

- **Foster SL.** Rundown of topics covered at recent ACIP meeting. Posted on APhA Immunization Website “Ask the Experts” at [www.pharmacist.com](http://www.pharmacist.com) March 7, 2011.

- **Foster SL.** Aspiration before injection of vaccines or toxoids. Posted on APhA Immunization Website “Ask the Experts” at [www.pharmacist.com](http://www.pharmacist.com/imz) February 1, 2011.


PRESENTATIONS

- Solomon D, White C. Challenges in Health Systems and How to Effectively Communicate with Your C-Suite; Annual Convention of the Tennessee Pharmacists Association; July 20, 2011; Kingsport.

POSTER


STUDENTS, GRAD STUDENTS, & POST DOC RESIDENTS

2011 Walmart Scholars

This year, two UTCOP students were selected to be Walmart Scholars: Kelly Monteen of Athens, along with her mentor, Dr. Debbie Byrd; and Morgan Honeycutt of Johnson City, along with his mentor, Dr. Andrea Franks. Walmart Scholars are chosen for their desire and commitment to a career in academic pharmacy. Both the student and the faculty mentor must submit a letter to AACP, and the student must submit an essay on academic pharmacy. This year, only 75 students from across the country were selected to receive this prestigious honor. The $1,000 scholarship assisted with scholar and mentor costs to attend the AACP Annual Meeting this year in San Antonio, Texas.

Left to Right: Dr. Debbie Byrd (mentor), Kelly Monteen (Walmart Scholar), Morgan Honeycutt (Walmart Scholar) and Dr. Andrea Franks (mentor)
University of Tennessee Post-Doctoral Resident and Fellow Symposium

The focus of this year’s Residency Symposium will be Education and Teaching Effectiveness. Topics to be covered include creating a course syllabus; designing course objectives and exam questions; preparing class materials; teaching methodologies; and evaluating student achievement. The Symposium will take place on Friday, August 5, 2011 at the following times and locations:

Knoxville Campus: 8:00am-5:30pm, College of Pharmacy Building Room 309
Memphis Campus: 7:00am-4:30pm, Pharmacy Building Room 102 and Lobby

Rotation/Residency Showcase

These showcases are a time for students to meet potential preceptors for rotations and residency programs. It is an incredible opportunity for rising P3s to talk with preceptors to learn more about rotations sites they may be interested in, as well as a great opportunity for rising P4s to learn about available residency programs.

Dates/times for Showcases:

Knoxville: Wednesday, August 10
Memphis: Friday, August 26

Residency Showcase: 10am-12 noon local time
Rotation Showcase: 1:30pm-3:30pm local time

Photos:
- P4 students learning about residency opportunities
- Students learning about rotation and residency opportunities at the 2010 Showcase
17th Annual Emmett Manley “PARscription” Golf Tournament

This year, ASP will again host its annual fundraising event, the Emmett Manley “PARscription” Golf Tournament, at Stonebridge Country Club in Memphis. This event is a fun way to raise money to help ASP fund its health fairs and community service events throughout the year. The event will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2011.

Student Spotlight – Dual PharmD/PhD Student Jordan Toutournchian

Hometown: McKinney, Texas; Undergraduate Institution: The University of Texas at Austin

How would you describe your experience as a PharmD/PhD student? I have had a brilliant time so far. I have really gained a lot of great experience over the last year. Being in the dual degree program has been what I had hoped it to be.

What has been the greatest challenge and the greatest reward of this program? The most challenging aspect to the program has been materializing ideas into tangible, relevant hypotheses; however, this process, in all actuality is the most intriguing part. Creating the storyline to drug discovery/development is an exciting adventure; the “plot-twists” always seem to unveil something unexpected, motivating you to figure out where the next scene will take you and what answers need to be found along the way. Not to mention, having a strong understanding of the pharmacology is vital to recognizing therapeutic-response variability when those hypotheses are developing into clinical relevance.

What is your area of research? Radiation Biology/Genetics with a heavy emphasis on drug-discovery/pharmacokinetics. As the years progress, this may either become more concise or elaborate.

What would you like to do once you graduate? The biological paradigms that direct our body’s dynamic are rife with surprises and bewilderment; so to say there will be a stopping point in this field is impossible. I can just hope to be fortunate enough to continue being a part of this.

Do you have any advice for future PharmD/PhD students? Enjoy what you do, experience everything and always stay intrigued. Research can become overwhelming at times but just realize that it only pushes you toward greater knowledge. And that is what this program is all about; if science lacked complexity, there would be nothing left to discover.
ALUMNI & FRIENDS

Big Orange Breakfast at the 124th Annual TPA Convention
Awards Presented at the TPA Annual Convention

**Pharmacist of the Year:** Dean Dick R. Gourley, PharmD, was presented the Tom C. Sharp 2011 Pharmacist of the Year Award. This Award is presented to a pharmacist who has distinguished the profession. Under Dean Gourley, the national and international reputation of the college has been amplified. TPA states that “his positive impact and influence on the faculty, students, and alumni of UT College of Pharmacy, and the profession of pharmacy in Tennessee will long be remembered.” Dean Gourley has served on the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Board of Directors, the American Pharmacists Association Board of Trustees, the Commission on Credentialing, and the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties. He is co-founder and past-president of the International Foundation for Pharmacy Education.

**Young Pharmacist of the Year:** Ben Gross, PharmD, received the 2011 Young Pharmacist of the Year Award. Dr. Gross is currently serving as an Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy at UTCOP and is a Clinical Pharmacist at Holston Medical Group in Kingsport. He received a BS in pharmacy from Murray State University and completed a PharmD at UTCOP. He then went on to complete a Specialty Pharmacy Residency in Primary Care with UTCOP and Holston Medical Group. According to the TPA, this Award is to “encourage new pharmacists to become involved in association activities and civic projects, and to recognize one such pharmacist in each state for individual excellence and outstanding contributions.”

**Cardinal Health Generation Rx Champions Award:** Timothy L. Tucker, PharmD, was presented the 2011 Cardinal Health Generation Rx Champions Award. This award honors outstanding commitment to raising awareness of the dangers of prescription drug abuse among the general public and among the pharmacy community. He was nominated for this award because of his “When Good Medicines Become Bad Drugs” campaign, which was a joint effort between the American Pharmacists Association, American Chronic Pain Association, and Cephalon, Inc. Dr. Tucker has demonstrated his commitment by doing numerous television and radio commercials, as well as being an advocate in his own pharmacy and community.

**Barbara McAndrew Award:** Micah Cost, PharmD, received the Barbara McAndrew Award. Dr. Cost is currently serving as the Director of Professional Affairs for TPA. He obtained his PharmD from UTCOP, and began working for TPA while still a student. TPA states that this award recognizes an “individual who has actively promoted the profession of pharmacy and the ideals of pharmaceutical care to the public, to the business community, to government, and to other healthcare providers.”

**TSHP Distinguished Service Award:** Stephen K. Huffines, PharmD, received the Tennessee Society of Health-System Pharmacists Distinguished Service Award. This award recognizes sustained service and accomplishment for a career of 20 or more years in the pharmacy profession. Dr. Huffines received his BS and PharmD degrees from UTCOP, and has served for the last 35 years at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, where he is currently Director of Pharmacy Business Services.
RESOLUTION
To Recognize Dick R. Gourley, PharmD for Meritorious Service and Leadership as Dean of The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy

WHEREAS, Dick R. Gourley, PharmD, has served admirably and tirelessly as Dean of The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy since 1989; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley’s visionary leadership and innovations have significantly elevated the national and international reputation of The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy, by implementing programs such as international rotations, community pharmacy residencies, under-represented minority recruitment, and graduate programs for the dual PharmD-P.D., dual PharmD-MBA, and Health Outcomes and Policy Research options; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley directed the implementation of an innovative curriculum, increases in PharmD and graduate student enrollment, the creation of a second campus and clinical education centers, and an expansion of rotation sites statewide and internationally; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley manifested a deep concern, compassion, and support for students whom he strove to inspire with the same dedication to the profession of pharmacy that he himself felt; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley’s leadership resulted in the funding and August 2011 opening of a new 184,000 square foot, state-of-the-art, College of Pharmacy building in Memphis and the development of a College of Pharmacy campus in Knoxville for the final 3 years of the curriculum; and,

WHEREAS, during Dr. Gourley’s tenure the state budget of The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy tripled to approximately $12 million and research grants and contracts have grown to $6 million annually; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley’s development activities have increased The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy’s corporate and annual giving by 570% to more than $1 million and have nearly quadrupled the endowment to over $11 million; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley has received more than 9.9 million in grants and contracts for research, program development, and professional services during his academic career as well as making significant scholarly contributions to the literature through the authorship of 69 manuscripts and 11 proceedings and the editorship of 16 books; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley has meritoriously served the profession of pharmacy as a past member of the Board of Trustees of the American Pharmacists Association, past member of the Board of Directors of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, past member of the Commission on Credentialing, as Vice-Chair and Chair of the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties, and as co-founder and past President of the International Foundation for Pharmacy Education; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley has been recognized by his peers with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Hungarian Community Pharmacists Association in 2005, awarded Fellow status in the American Pharmacists Association in 2006, and received the Rufus A. Lyman Award from the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy in 2008, and received the Outstanding Alumnus Award from the UT College of Pharmacy Alumni Association in 2011; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley contributed greatly to the advancement and improvement of the profession of pharmacy in his capacity as Dean of The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy and earned the respect and admiration of pharmacists around the globe, students and alumni of The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy, and pharmacists in the state of Tennessee;

WHEREAS, Dr. Gourley is a devoted family man who cherishes his wife, Greta, and their daughter, Kristen;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Tennessee Pharmacists Association honor and express their sincere congratulations to Dick R. Gourley, Pharm.D. upon his retirement as Dean of the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy, and appreciation for his many years of outstanding service to the faculty, staff, students, and alumni of The University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the members of the Association express their sincere appreciation to Dr. Gourley for his leadership, friendship, and devotion to the Tennessee Pharmacists Association and its members, to the profession of pharmacy, and all pharmacists in Tennessee; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be properly prepared and presented to Dick R. Gourley, PharmD as a lasting record of this recognition.
Preceptor Development Conference

The Preceptor Development Conference is held every year in conjunction with the Rotation/Residency Showcase. This year the Conference will cover topics such as an Experiential Education update, preceptor expectations, and empathetic listening.

Dates/Times for Preceptor Development:

Knoxville: Tuesday, August 9, 2-4:30pm
College of Pharmacy Building

Memphis: Thursday, August 25, 2-4:30pm
New College of Pharmacy Building

Nashville: Tuesday, September 13, 2-4:30pm
Clinical Education Center

Preceptors working in groups at the 2010 Preceptor Development Conference

UT Student Receives Alumni’s Academic Hood at Graduation

Dr. Frances Moore, PharmD class of 1973, retired at the end of June from Creighton University. She requested that Dr. Eoff give her orange and white academic hood to a new deserving UTCOP graduate who is planning a career in academia. The hood has been through over 35 graduation commencements, starting at Nebraska, then Creighton for 5 years, SUNY-Buffalo for 15 years, then back to Creighton since 1995. Dr. Eoff chose Dr. James Wheeler as the deserving graduate. Dr. Wheeler was the President of the student body during his third year at UTCOP, was an active member of TPA and AACP, and was awarded the Tom Sharp Leadership award at graduation this year. He is currently continuing his education by completing a PGY1 residency at the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville, Tennessee, with a focus on Family Medicine. His career goal is definitely Academia. “I have worked closely with him since his first year with us and he is an outstanding leader and very professional in his demeanor and actions,” stated Dr. Eoff, on why he chose Dr. Wheeler.
Welcome Students!
Whether you’re returning for your second or fourth year, or it’s your first time on campus as a P1, we are glad that each and every one of you chose the University of Tennessee to begin your career in pharmacy. We are proud to call UTCOP our home, and strive every day to provide an educational and professional experience you can be proud of.

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