Preamble

The Bulletin of the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) is the document of authority for all MUSC students. The College of Pharmacy Student Handbook contains additional policies and procedures that all College of Pharmacy students must abide by. All students are expected to read the MUSC Bulletin and this Student Handbook prior to the beginning of each academic year as these policies are updated on an annual basis. College of Pharmacy students will be held accountable for all policies contained in these documents. An information session will be held at the beginning of the fall semester annually to review changes to and answer questions related to these documents. A plea of ignorance will not be an acceptable excuse for a violation of the policies contained in the MUSC Bulletin or this Student Handbook.

Accreditation Disclosure Statement

The MUSC College of Pharmacy Doctor of Pharmacy program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, 20 North Clark Street, Suite 2500, Chicago, IL 60602-5109, 312/664-3575; FAX 312/664-4652, web site: www.acpe-accredit.org.
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Vision, Mission Statement, and Core Values

Vision

Improving lives through innovative education, research, and patient care.

Mission Statement

The mission of the MUSC College of Pharmacy is to lead pharmacy education, scientific discovery, and patient care in South Carolina and globally.

Core Values

- Compassion
- Collaboration
- Respect
- Integrity
- Innovation
- Excellence

Commitment to Students with Disabilities

The Medical University of South Carolina ("MUSC" or the "University") is committed to ensuring that no otherwise qualified individual with a disability is excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination in University programs or activities due to his or her disability. The university is fully committed to complying with all requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and its amendments (the “ADA”) and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (“Section 504”) and to providing equal educational opportunities to otherwise qualified students with disabilities. Disability support services are available to otherwise qualified students with disabilities to ensure equal access to the University's programs and services. Services may include making academic and/or non-academic accommodations for students. MUSC's ADA policies and procedures and accommodations forms can be accessed at the following link: http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/vpfa/dei/ada/Policies%20and%20Procedures

Technical Standards

One of the primary missions of the College of Pharmacy is to prepare outstanding pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists to meet the health care needs of the state and society and to enhance the delivery of essential pharmacy services for all citizens. The faculty of the college strives to deliver an education that will, through the graduates of the Doctor of Pharmacy program, attain the highest levels of this goal.

The professional program leading to the Doctor of Pharmacy degree and eligibility for pharmacist licensure requires a certain level of cognitive, behavioral and technical skill and ability inherent in a professional education. These principles and standards hold for admission, progression, retention and completion of the program. The primary role of the pharmacist is to provide safe and effective health care to the patients served. Patient safety must be considered in the selection and education of student pharmacists. In order to foster
patient safety, the college requires all student pharmacists to demonstrate the ability to meet the minimum standards set forth herein. Standards are developed as criteria to achieve the Doctor of Pharmacy degree in preparation for licensure as a practicing pharmacist and for postgraduate professional training and education in any of the varied fields of pharmacy.

Student pharmacists must reasonably contribute to a safe environment through their personal physical and mental health and social behavior. Students must complete the academic program in a reasonable length of time, must be able to acquire a pharmacist intern license upon matriculation into the program, and maintain the pharmacist intern license during their educational program, and must be eligible for a pharmacist license after they complete the Doctor of Pharmacy program.

All students are expected to successfully fulfill the same core educational requirements. Reasonable education-related accommodations will be provided according to the University’s academic accommodations policy. This policy is contained in the MUSC Bulletin at the following link:
http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/ada/accomodating_students.htm.

The five standards listed below describe the essential functions students must demonstrate in order to fulfill the requirements of a general pharmacy education, and thus are prerequisites for entrance to, continuation in, and graduation from the college. A student must meet or exceed the required aptitude, abilities, and skills outlined below. Certain chronic or recurrent illnesses and problems may interfere with didactic studies, delivering or providing patient care or compromise patient safety and may be incompatible with pharmacy training or practice.

Observation: Observation necessitates the functional use of visual, auditory and somatic senses. Students must have the ability to observe and evaluate, in classrooms and patient care areas, demonstrations, experiments and patients, including performing physical assessments. Observation of the technical quality of pre-manufactured as well as compounded medications is essential.

Communication Skills: As appropriate for each stage of their education, student pharmacists must be able to communicate effectively and efficiently in oral and written English, to hear, and to listen to patients in order to elicit information; describe changes in mood, activity, and posture, and perceive verbal as well as non-verbal communications. Students must also communicate effectively and efficiently in oral and written English, to hear, and to listen to faculty, staff, other health care professionals, and preceptors. Communication includes not only speech, but also reading, writing, hearing, and computer literacy. They must be capable of completing professional communication activities in a timely manner.

Motor: Student pharmacists must have the coordination of muscular movement with accommodation, if necessary, to undertake the preparation of all routine forms of medication orders, the use of diagnostic equipment for patient assessment, and the direct delivery of patient therapies. Such actions require coordination of both gross and fine muscular movement, equilibrium, and functional use of the senses of touch and vision.

Intellectual, Conceptual, Integrative and Quantitative Abilities: As appropriate for each stage
of their education, student pharmacists must demonstrate a fundamental and continuing ability to use analytical reasoning to independently and in collaboration with a health care team synthesize knowledge, solve problems and explain health care situations. Information must be obtained, retrieved, evaluated and delivered in an efficient and timely manner. Students must be able to demonstrate good judgment in patient care and assessment and have the ability to incorporate new and changing information obtained from the practice environment.

Behavioral And Social Attributes: Student pharmacists must demonstrate professional and ethical demeanor appropriate to their educational level. Students must be able to function within the regulatory and institutional limits of the educational environment and modify behaviors based on criticism. Students must demonstrate compassion and integrity and a concern for others. This requires responsibility for personal action and emotional stability under the stressful conditions that may come from their professional education.

Individuals with questions or concerns about their ability to meet these standards are encouraged to contact the Dean for Student Affairs.

**Residency Preparation Program**

MUSC offers a Residency Preparation Program to guide students in pursuit of post-graduate residency training. Students in this program will be assigned a faculty mentor who will suggest elective didactic coursework, clinical rotations, and activities outside the classroom (scholarship/research projects, clinical competitions, student and pharmacy organization leadership and participation, seminar programs, etc.) that may enhance their portfolio and improve their candidacy for residency placement. The Residency Preparation Program is optional and students may discontinue their participation at any time.

**Pharmacy Intern Certificate**

All students will be required to obtain a Pharmacy Intern Certificate from the South Carolina Board of Pharmacy. This certificate must be obtained upon matriculation into the Doctor of Pharmacy program. If a student’s Pharmacy Intern Certificate is suspended, revoked, or voluntarily surrendered, the student may be suspended from the College.

**Student Mandatory Training Policy**

The University’s Student Mandatory Training Policy is contained in the MUSC Bulletin at the following link: [http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/student-handbook/Policies/student_pol/Student%20Mandatory%20Training%20Policy.pdf](http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/student-handbook/Policies/student_pol/Student%20Mandatory%20Training%20Policy.pdf). Matriculating students are required to complete this mandatory training prior to orientation. Returning students are required to complete this training by April 30th annually.

**Student Advisement/Career Mentorship Program**

Each professional class will be assigned a class faculty advisor. This advisor will be actively involved in orientation and should model and promote expected professional behavior. The class advisor also serves as a resource for class issue. They may also meet with the class officers to plan class events such as community outreach and social activities. The class advisor follows the class throughout their academic career at MUSC. The advisor is
appointed by the Dean for Student Affairs with approval by the chair of the department of the faculty member.

Course coordinators, teaching faculty, the class faculty advisor, and the Deans of the College are readily available to provide support to students if academic advice or personal assistance is needed. The Dean for Curriculum and Assessment provides information to students about concurrent degree programs and electives offered by the College annually.

Faculty, preceptors and alumni will be encouraged to serve as career mentors for students. Career mentors serve as advisors to aid students in exploring the various career paths available upon graduation. Mentors also assist students in selecting elective courses to help prepare them for their future career path. The Dean for Student Affairs maintains an updated list of career mentors for the College, which is distributed to students each fall.

All first, second and third professional year students are required to participate in the College’s Career Mentoring Program. These students are required to complete the APhA Career Pathways Evaluation Program survey each fall and are encouraged to use their survey results to select a minimum of six career exploration activities to pursue during the academic year. Reports of these activities are required at the end of each semester in addition to a reflection at the end of the academic year.

**Student Dress Code**

The college’s student dress code is mandatory for all practice laboratories, all introductory and advanced pharmacy practice experiences, grand rounds, and professional events where students are representing the college. Students must wear their ID badge at all times while on campus. Students must adhere to individual institution/pharmacy policies regarding site-specific ID badges. All students are expected to be clean, neatly groomed and dressed in a professional (conservative) manner for experiential rotations and laboratory experiences. Students not wearing clothing deemed appropriate by a laboratory instructor will be warned at the first offense. A second offense may result in a grade reduction. Penalties related to inappropriate dress are specified in each laboratory course syllabus.

In the experiential setting, students may be dismissed immediately if dressed inappropriately and asked to return in appropriate dress. Students will be required to make up this time away from rotation. Attendance policies for the experiential curriculum are outlined in the experiential manuals.

The following guidelines describe appropriate dress for laboratory and experiential courses, grand rounds and professional events:

Students are required to wear a white, long sleeved, jacket-length lab coat and ID badge attached at the collar or chest pocket of the lab coat. Non-MUSC/commercial logos and badges are not permitted on lab coats. Men are required to wear a dress shirt with tie, dress slacks, dress socks, and close-toed dress shoes. Women are required to wear a dress blouse or sweater with a skirt or dress slacks, or a dress and close-toed dress shoes. No attire (e.g., short skirts or dresses, tight fitting clothing, low-cut blouses), accessories (e.g., large jewelry, sunglasses) or behaviors (e.g., chewing gum, wearing excessive cologne or perfume) that may be deemed unsafe or distracting to other students, instructors, preceptors, health care team members or patients will be permitted. Individual practice sites
may have a different dress code requirement. Students must adhere to specific 
preceptor/site dress code requirements.

Appropriate dress is also expected in the classroom. Attire that may be deemed distracting 
to students, faculty or others (e.g., short shorts, skirts or dresses, tight fitting clothing, low-
cut blouses, halter tops, midriffs, sagging pants/shorts, substantially exposed 
undergarments) should not be worn in the classroom.

**Student Professionalism Policy**

The faculty of the college has approved curricular outcome competencies that each student 
is expected to master. One of the most important is the demonstration of personal values 
and ethical principles in all professional and social contexts. Most students come into the 
pharmacy program with a well-developed value system that is further refined as they grow 
through their college experience in general and their professional education. As a result, 
there is little emphasis on disciplinary procedures. However, to minimize ambiguity with 
regard to unprofessional and unacceptable behaviors, professionalism policies are 
presented here in some detail.

**Professional Standards**

The foremost privilege and responsibility of the profession of pharmacy is to selflessly serve 
humanity, follow state and federal rules and regulations with regards to the pharmacy 
profession, and promote the public health and welfare. Given such important privilege and 
responsibility, student pharmacists are expected to present and conduct themselves in a 
manner commensurate with a health care professional.

Expected professional behavior includes, but is not limited to, the following:

Student attendance for rotations, lectures, laboratory sessions, and meetings is expected. 
Students must adhere to attendance policies enacted by the course syllabus. Students are 
expected to be punctual and to remain present until the conclusion of the activity. For 
courses or meetings in which attendance is mandatory, no student may sign in for another 
student for class attendance purposes.

In all academic and professional settings, students are expected to be alert and prepared to 
handle all assigned tasks and duties. When students are assigned to work with others, it is 
expected that the student will participate fully and complete their responsibilities with regard 
to the project.

In all academic, professional, and social settings, it is expected that students will be 
courteous, respectful, non-disruptive, and display positive demeanor. The expression of 
criticism or issues, either in person, in writing (letter or email), or telephone will be done in a 
non-threatening, non-abusive, and positive manner. Students should follow the College’s 
Student Grievance Policies to address individual and/or class issues.

In professional settings, students will always dress in accordance with the College’s Dress 
Code.
In all academic, professional, and public settings, it is expected that students will display the highest level of honesty and ethics. If a student suspects that another student has committed a form of academic dishonesty, there is an obligation on the student who witnessed the behavior to report the violation in accordance with the University Honor Code.

A pharmacy student is required to uphold the dignity and honor of the profession, and to accept its ethical principles. Students shall not engage in any activity that will discredit the profession. Students are expected to follow and uphold all local, state and federal laws at all times.

**Procedures for Professionalism Policy Violations**

Any student, faculty, staff member, or individual associated with the college’s academic programs may report a student for lack of professional behavior to the Dean for Student Affairs. Under usual circumstances, the incident should have been brought to the student’s attention and resolution attempted before reporting the incident to the Dean for Student Affairs. Upon receiving a report regarding unprofessional behavior, the Dean for Student Affairs will determine the legitimacy of the report in accordance with his/her understanding of professional standards for behavior, the severity of the incident, and the urgency by which it needs to be addressed. Depending on the nature of the behavior, the Dean for Student Affairs may act on a single behavioral report or wait to act until he/she receives multiple reports of unprofessional behavior. In cases where the Dean for Student Affairs makes the decision to forgo disciplinary action(s), he/she will inform the student of the complaint of unprofessional behavior and that future complaints may result in disciplinary action. He/she will document each complaint, such that the information remains confidential.

If the Dean for Student Affairs determines that disciplinary action is warranted, each case will be addressed in the following manner. The Dean for Student Affairs will meet with the student to counsel him/her on the importance of professionalism and strategies to correct the unprofessional behavior. These strategies may include referral to Counseling and Psychological Services. The Dean for Student Affairs will also discuss the potential consequences for unprofessional behavior with the student. If a written warning is indicated, the student and Dean for Student Affairs will sign and date a Notification of Professionalism Policy Violation acknowledging the student’s behavior and his/her awareness of the potential consequences for similar behavior in the future. This document will be placed in the student’s file.

If the Dean for Student Affairs determines that the behavior may warrant a more stringent penalty, he/she will refer the student to the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee where the incident will be discussed further. The Committee may provide disciplinary recommendations to the Dean for Student Affairs. These recommended sanctions may include, but are not limited to, a written warning, placement on professional conduct probation, suspension from college for up to one year, or dismissal from the college. The Dean for Student Affairs will enforce the final penalty.

Professional conduct probation is defined as a designated time during which a student is under an official warning that subsequent violations of the professionalism policy or university rules, regulations, or policies are likely to result in a more severe sanction which may include suspension or dismissal from the program. While on professional conduct
probation, a student may be considered to be “not in good standing” and may face specific limitations, which may include, but are not limited to:

- Ineligibility for College scholarships;
- Ineligibility to hold leadership positions in student organizations, class officer positions in the College, or any University-wide leadership positions;
- Ineligibility to receive financial support from the College to attend professional organization meetings;
- Ineligibility for assignment to practice sites considered to be specialty rotations by the Experiential Education Office. Students who are placed on professional conduct probation after receiving a specialty rotation assignment may be removed from the rotation.

If the committee recommends suspension, the student may be suspended from the College for up to one year. The same penalties for professional conduct probation apply to a student who is suspended. In addition, further issues with unprofessional behavior may result in dismissal from the College. If the committee recommends dismissal, the student may be dismissed immediately from the College.

Students have the right to appeal the decision of the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee to the Dean. Appeals must be received in writing within seven calendar days of the notification of the sanction. The Dean’s decision is final.

**Criminal Background Check & Student Arrest Policy**

The University’s Criminal Background Check Policy for Incoming Students is contained in the MUSC Bulletin at the following link: [http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/provost/pdf/CrimBckgrdChkstudents04.pdf](http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/provost/pdf/CrimBckgrdChkstudents04.pdf).

In addition to the matriculation criminal background checks performed by the university, the college may conduct criminal background checks prior to introductory and advanced pharmacy practice experiences. The College may provide the results of these criminal background checks to the South Carolina Board of Pharmacy and/or the pharmacy practice sites participating in the experiential curriculum. Students with an issue on their criminal background check should attempt to have their record expunged before experiential courses begin. The student is responsible for clearing any issues identified on their criminal background check.

The College will make a reasonable effort to place a student with a positive background check at a site(s) to complete their experiential course(s). Many practice sites require criminal background checks and placement is not guaranteed.

The University’s Student Arrest Policy is contained in the MUSC Bulletin at the following link: [http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/provost/pdf/StudentArrestPolicy.pdf](http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/provost/pdf/StudentArrestPolicy.pdf). Any student who is arrested or convicted for violation of federal, state, or local laws is subject to appropriate disciplinary action by MUSC, the college and/or the South Carolina Board of Pharmacy. The Dean for Student Affairs and Experiential Education may immediately suspend a student from participating in experiential courses until the case can be reviewed by the Dean’s Office, the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee and/or the South
Carolina Board of Pharmacy. Each of these entities may review the student’s case and may impose appropriate disciplinary action.

In addition, the Dean for Student Affairs and Experiential Education may immediately suspend a student from participating in experiential courses if he/she feels a student may pose a risk to public safety due to criminal background check results, arrests, or convictions. If the student believes that the background check results are in error and can provide proof, the student will be given the opportunity to produce this proof.

Procedures

1. All arrests or convictions must be reported to the Dean for Student Affairs within two university business days of the event. The student must also report the arrest or conviction to the South Carolina Board of Pharmacy. Any student with an arrest or conviction will be referred to the College’s Student Policy and Professionalism Committee and will be placed on professional conduct probation. Depending on the severity of the charges, the Dean for Student Affairs may suspend the arrested or convicted student immediately until the charges have been resolved. The student’s case will be reviewed by the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee and any recommended disciplinary action will be enforced by the Dean for Student Affairs.

2. If an arrested student fails to report the arrest or conviction within two university business days, then he/she may be subject to immediate suspension or dismissal from the College.

3. The Dean for Student Affairs will maintain documentation of background check reports and any documentation related to an arrest provided by the student. This documentation will be maintained in a file separate from the student’s academic file.

4. Any student arrested or convicted for drug or alcohol related offenses will be referred to Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) for evaluation and to the College’s Student Policy and Professionalism Committee for review, and will be placed on professional conduct probation. The student will be required to sign consent for CAPS to share their findings and recommendations with the Dean for Student Affairs and the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee. After hearing the case the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee will make recommendations to the Dean for Student Affairs, who will enforce any recommended disciplinary actions. If the student is required to sign a monitoring contract for random drug and/or alcohol screenings, he/she will be responsible for all costs associated with this monitoring. The College will be notified by CAPS if the student fails to comply with any aspect of his/her monitoring contract or tests positive for the substance(s) for which he/she is being monitored (including alcohol, illegal drugs or prescription drug). Violation of a monitoring contract may lead to the student’s suspension or dismissal from the College.
If a student’s pharmacy intern certificate is suspended, revoked, or voluntarily surrendered, the student may be suspended from the College.

**Substance Abuse Policy**

The University’s Substance Abuse Prevention and Intervention Policy is contained in the MUSC Bulletin at the following link: [http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/bulletin/bulletin_policies/subabuse.html](http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/bulletin/bulletin_policies/subabuse.html).

All College of Pharmacy students are subject to random drug screenings throughout the Doctor of Pharmacy program. Students may be selected at any time to submit to a random 10-panel drug screen. There will be no cost to the student for random drug screenings. Upon notification by the Dean's office the morning of a testing day, the student must report to a specified lab and submit a urine sample by 8 PM that day. Failure to report for testing by the 8 PM deadline will be considered a positive test result. Any student with a positive test result will be referred to Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) and to the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee, and will be placed on professional conduct probation. The student will be required to sign consent for CAPS to share their findings with the College and the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee. The Student Policy and Professionalism Committee will make recommendations to the Dean for Student Affairs who will enforce the recommendations.

**Drug Screening Procedure**

- Students must bring a government-issued picture ID (e.g., Driver’s License, Military ID, or Passport). Work or student ID badges are not acceptable forms of ID.
- Students must be prepared to produce an adequate urine specimen within three hours.
- Drug screen results will be noted as positive (failed) if the student leaves the office before an adequate urine specimen has been collected.

Students who suspect that they may be abusing a substance are encouraged to voluntarily report themselves to the Dean for Student Affairs. It is the professional responsibility of all faculty, staff, and students to report or intervene in cases when they suspect a student to be abusing substances. The Dean for Student Affairs should be notified in cases where student impairment is suspected.

The Dean’s Office will refer students suspected of substance abuse for an immediate drug screen. In these cases, any expense incurred for the drug screen(s) will be the responsibility of the student. The student will also be referred to CAPS for evaluation. They will be required to sign consent for CAPS to share their findings with the College. The student may be referred to the Student Policy and Professionalism Committee for further action pending the results of CAPS’ evaluation. A file separate from the student’s academic file will be kept for documentation related to substance abuse. The Dean for Student Affairs will maintain this separate file.

Participation in a recovery program does not make the chemically-impaired pharmacy student immune to legal proceedings for criminal acts involving drug misuse, or illegal use.
The academic standing of a chemically-impaired pharmacy student will not change if the student requests a leave of absence. If the student is academically ineligible to continue in the pharmacy curriculum, a medical leave of absence will not preclude administrative action for dismissal from the College for academic reasons. In such instances the student may appeal the dismissal to the Dean.

**Student Grievance Policies**

**Individual Problems:**

When a student is experiencing a problem with any member of the College’s faculty, staff or administration, the following process should be carried out. Prior to each step in the process, the student should seek advice from his or her class faculty advisor.

1. Make an appointment with the individual with whom the problem exists, explain the problem, and try to resolve it.
2. If the problem cannot be resolved directly, the student should then contact the individual’s supervisor.
3. If the problem is still unresolved, the student should make an appointment to meet with the Dean for Student Affairs. The Dean for Student Affairs will review the complaint and intervene if College or University policies have been violated. The Dean for Student Affairs will maintain a file of all such reported grievances and their outcomes. Situations that have not been resolved at this point will be referred to the College’s Grievance Committee for final review and action. Students may also file a complaint to the University using the following link:
   [http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/academics/complaint_resolution/complaint_form_fill.pdf](http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/academics/complaint_resolution/complaint_form_fill.pdf)

**Class Problems:**

When a class feels that there is a problem affecting the class as a whole, the following process should be carried out. Prior to each step in the process, the class president should seek advice from the class faculty advisor.

1. The president should announce and hold a class meeting, identify the problem(s), clearly reduce them to writing, and ensure that the class is in agreement by simple majority vote. If so, the class president should forward this written statement to the individual(s) involved and request a meeting. If the class president is unsure of whom to contact, he/she should consult the Dean for Student Affairs.
2. If a satisfactory understanding or solution is not obtained at this level, the class president should then contact the individual’s supervisor.
3. If the problem is still unresolved, the class president should make an appointment to meet with the Dean for Student Affairs. The Dean for Student Affairs will review the complaint and intervene if College or University policies have been violated. The Dean for Student Affairs will maintain a file of all such reported grievances and their outcomes. Situations that have not been resolved at this point will be referred to the College’s Grievance Committee for final review and action. Students may also file a complaint to the University using the following link:
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The University’s Student Complaint Procedure is contained in the MUSC Bulleting at the following link: [http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/bulletin/bulletin_policies/scc/](http://academicdepartments.musc.edu/esl/bulletin/bulletin_policies/scc/)

**Accreditation Issues**

Issues, questions, comments or complaints pertaining to accreditation should be directed to the Dean for Curriculum and Assessment. The College will keep a file of all communications related to accreditation. If issues or complaints have not been satisfactorily resolved at the College, the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) may be contacted via email: csinfo@acpe-accredit.org. The Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education has offices at 20 North Clark Street, Suite 2500, Chicago, Ill. 60602-5109. They may be contacted by phone at 312-664-3575, by fax at 312-664-4652, or via their website: [www.acpe-accredit.org](http://www.acpe-accredit.org).

**Educational Outcomes for the Medical University of South Carolina College of Pharmacy – Doctor of Pharmacy Graduate**

**Domain 1 – Foundational Knowledge**

1.1. **Learner (Learner)** - Develop, integrate, and apply knowledge from the foundational sciences (i.e., pharmaceutical, social/behavioral/administrative,* and clinical sciences) to evaluate the scientific literature, explain drug action, solve therapeutic problems, and advance population health and patient-centered care.

**Domain 2 – Essentials for Practice and Care**

2.1. **Patient-centered care (Caregiver)** - Provide patient-centered care as the medication expert (collect and interpret evidence, prioritize, formulate assessments and recommendations, implement, monitor and adjust plans, and document activities).

2.2. **Medication use systems management (Manager)** - Manage patient healthcare needs using human, financial, technological, and physical resources to optimize the safety and efficacy of medication use systems.

2.3. **Health and wellness (Promoter)** - Design prevention, intervention, and educational strategies for individuals and communities to manage chronic disease and improve health and wellness.


**Domain 3 - Approach to Practice and Care**

3.1. **Problem Solving (Problem Solver)** – Identify problems; explore and prioritize potential strategies; and design, implement, and evaluate a viable solution.

3.2. **Educator (Educator)** – Educate all audiences by determining the most effective and enduring ways to impart information and assess understanding.
3.3. **Patient Advocacy (Advocate)** - Assure that patients’ best interests are represented.

3.4. **Interprofessional collaboration (Collaborator)** – Actively participate and engage as a healthcare team member by demonstrating mutual respect, understanding, and values to meet patient care needs.

3.5. **Cultural sensitivity (Includer)** - Recognize *social determinants of health* to diminish disparities and inequities in access to quality care.

3.6. **Communication (Communicator)** – Effectively communicate verbally and nonverbally when interacting with an individual, group, or organization.

**Domain 4 – Personal and Professional Development**

4.1. **Self-awareness (Self-aware)** – Examine and reflect on personal knowledge, skills, abilities, beliefs, biases, motivation, and emotions that could enhance or limit personal and professional growth.

4.2. **Leadership (Leader)** - Demonstrate responsibility for creating and achieving shared goals, regardless of position.

4.3. **Innovation and Entrepreneurship (Innovator)** - Engage in innovative activities by using creative thinking to envision better ways of accomplishing professional goals.

4.4. **Professionalism (Professional)** - Exhibit behaviors and values that are consistent with the trust given to the profession by patients, other healthcare providers, and society.

*Terms that are bolded and italicized are defined in the glossary of the Center for the Advancement of Pharmacy Education (CAPE) Educational Outcomes 2013 at [http://www.aacp.org/resources/education/cape/Open%20Access%20Documents/CAPEoutcomes2013.pdf](http://www.aacp.org/resources/education/cape/Open%20Access%20Documents/CAPEoutcomes2013.pdf).*
## 2017-2018 Academic Calendar for the College of Pharmacy

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