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TOURO COLLEGE OF PHARMACY COMMENCEMENT

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2020 11 AM

> CLASS OF 2020 VIRTUAL CEREMONY

ORDER OF EXERCISES

Commencement Opening
Abraham M. Jeger, Ph.D., Chief Operating Officer and Associate Dean, Student Affairs

Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem Performed by Chantell Melgarejo Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine, Class of 2021

Invocation
Rabbi Moshe D. Krupka, Executive Vice President, Touro College and University System

Welcoming Remarks
Henry Cohen, Pharm.D., M.Sc., Dean

Message from the President
Alan Kadish, M.D., President, Touro College and University System

Greetings
Patricia E. Salkin, J.D., Provost, Graduate and Professional Divisions, Touro College and University System

Commencement Keynote Speaker
Paul W. Abramowitz, Pharm.D., Sc.D. (Hon), FASHP
Chief Executive Officer, American Society of Health-System Pharmacists

Student Address
Pharm.D. Candidates Tamisha Charles-Cacho and Michelle Rabi

Memories/Moments Captured of the Class of 2020 Elane Kleyn, Pharm.D. Candidate, Class of 2020

Conferring the Doctor of Pharmacy Degree
Henry Cohen, Pharm.D., M.Sc., Dean
and
Alan Kadish, M.D., President, Touro College and University System

Presentation of Individual Candidates
Henry Cohen, Pharm.D., M.Sc., Dean
Abraham M. Jeger, Ph.D., Chief Operating Officer and Associate Dean, Student Affairs
Zvi Loewy, Ph.D., Associate Dean, Research
Bupendra Shah, Ph.D., Assistant Dean, Assessment

Oath of a Pharmacist Henry Cohen, Pharm.D., M.Sc., Dean

Alumní Message Michelle Jakubovics, Pharm.D. TCOP Graduate, Class of 2013 Assistant Professor, Pharmacy Practice

Closing Remarks
Henry Cohen, Pharm.D., M.Sc., Dean

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Graduates,

Congratulations to the entire graduating class of 2020! It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to the ninth commencement of the Touro College of Pharmacy. We regret that circumstances do not allow us to all be in one room together today, but we are certainly joined in spirit.

Today, we honor and celebrate the culmination of your hard work and your commitment to fulfilling your dreams. I am confident that you will continue to transform your aspirations into realities.

Touro College of Pharmacy provides an innovative educational environment that combines classroom instruction with experiential training. It is our hope that this unique approach to pharmaceutical education has prepared you with the skills necessary to succeed in a field that is rapidly and constantly evolving.

Your experiences here have also been enriched by Touro's strong ties to the Harlem neighborhood. In the pursuit of our mission to educate and model the values of compassion, service and social justice, I am confident that we have instilled in you a commitment to serve humankind. You are ambassadors of our institution, and your service to your communities attests to the values of our mission. Now is the time to apply all the knowledge and skills you have learned at Touro and live with passion and purpose.

As alumni, you are members of the Touro family. I invite you to join us in alumni activities, stay connected and share your stories of success so that we may continue to take pride in your achievements. You will always remain a part of Touro's legacy and future.

Best wishes,

Alan Kadish, M.D.

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President

Touro College & University System

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Dear Members of the Class of 2020,

Congratulations on completing your Doctor of Pharmacy at the Touro College of Pharmacy. It is a distinction you have earned with your hard work and dedication, and an achievement of which you and your family can be justly proud, wherever your future careers take you. You are talented and passionate, and you have demonstrated the highest level of commitment to education and patient care.

You will soon join the ranks of one of the most trusted and rewarding professions. You are the only healthcare professionals dedicated to the intricacies of drug products handling and preparation, and the sophistication of drug mechanisms, actions and uses. You are the

medication expert and an essential member of the healthcare team. Indeed, we have witnessed increasingly prominent and high-profile contributions from pharmacists in the midst of a world-wide pandemic. Pharmacists are administering the COVID-19 nasopharyngeal tests and COVID-19 antibody tests in community pharmacies, compounding hand sanitizers, counseling patients on off-label use of drugs such as Hydroxychloroquine, designing pharmacotherapy treatment algorithms and participating in research for new antiviral compounds such as Remdesivir.

The extensive education and training you have received from the College's dedicated and passionate faculty has prepared you for a wide world of opportunities - in community pharmacy, long-term care, ambulatory and in-patient settings, drug information, public health, research, management, marketing, sales, pharmaceutical industry, pharmacogenetics and more. Whatever path you choose, we are confident that you will be successful pharmacists prepared to practice at the top of your license.

Remember too that the distinction you have achieved today carries with it great responsibilities. Always be mindful of the mission of the College, to promote wellness, especially among the underserved populations around the corner and across the globe, to contribute to scientific knowledge and to improve the profession. As you provide compassionate patient care, and share your knowledge; maximize patient safety, and advance the profession through research and service, your reputation, and the reputation of our College will continue to grow, your achievements will inspire our future students, and patient by patient and project by project, the world will become a better place.

This is also the beginning of what we hope will be a lifelong relationship. We look forward to you sharing knowledge with our students and serving as preceptors, mentors and speakers at College events. We will always be here for you and hope you will return often. We are most proud of you and look forward to your career accomplishments. You are outstanding College of Pharmacy alumni; we are excited that you are part of the Touro family and delighted to welcome you as members of the profession.

Sincerely,

Henry Cohen, PharmD

Henry Cohen, Pharm.D., M.Sc., FCCM, BCPP, BCGP Dean and Professor, Touro College of Pharmacy

MESSAGE FROM THE PROVOST



Dear Members of the Class of 2020,

On behalf of the Administration of Touro College, it is a pleasure to congratulate you and your families on your accomplishments, and an honor to be a part of this special day. While many refer to the day as a "Graduation Ceremony," I prefer the word "Commencement," because it signals that this is not the end but a beginning. You have worked hard throughout your professional career where you will have the opportunity to contribute to our society in countless important and meaningful ways by virtue of the distinction you have earned.

The privilege of becoming a licensed pharmacist also carries important responsibilities that have been evident throughout your Touro College of Pharmacy career. Remember why you chose Touro and why Touro chose you

– a focus on public health, cultural awareness, and community service – and a commitment to, among other things, serving under-resourced communities and providing outreach and education about preventive care locally and globally. When you leave here today, we know that you will take seriously these ideals and commitments and put them into practice in whatever professional setting you choose.

As you know, pharmacy education and the practice of pharmacy continue to evolve. Touro College of Pharmacy has given you the tools you need to become effective lifelong learners in the fields of pharmacy practice and research. We are confident that as professionals, you will play leadership roles in the future directions of the profession, in government regulation, the advancement of research and science and service to the public.

We look forward to learning of your successes and invite you to continue your relationship with Touro as mentors, presenters, preceptors, and members of our growing alumni community. We hope you will return often; we will always be here for you.

Congratulations again on a job well done.

Sincerely,

Patricia E. Salkin, J.D.

Provost, Graduate and Professional Divisions

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COMMENCEMENT KEYNOTE SPEAKER PAUL W. ABRAMOWITZ, PHARM.D.,SC.D. (HON), FASHP

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HEALTH-SYSTEM PHARMACISTS
BETHSEDA, MARYLAND



Paul W. Abramowitz is the Chief Executive Officer of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP).

Prior to joining ASHP in September 2011, Dr. Abramowitz worked in hospitals and health-systems for 34 years. He served as Associate Hospital Director for Professional Services and Chief Pharmacy Officer at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, and Professor at the University of Iowa College of Pharmacy. He also held prior positions as Director of Pharmacy and Associate Professor at the Medical College of Virginia and the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Abramowitz received a Bachelors Degree in Chemistry and Biology from Indiana University, a Bachelors Degree in Pharmacy from the University of Toledo, a Pharm.D. from the University of Michigan, and completed his residency at the

University of Michigan Medical Center.

In addition to serving as Treasurer of ASHP from 2007-10 and as ASHP President in 1993-94, he chaired the Boards of: the ASHP Research and Education Foundation, the Iowa Board of Pharmacy, and the Iowa Statewide Poison Control Center.

Dr. Abramowitz has actively combined practice, teaching, and research throughout his career. He has lectured and published extensively focusing on: the effect that pharmacists have on improving outcomes of care and reducing costs; developing new care models; reducing adverse drug events; and expanding comprehensive medication management to the ambulatory setting.

He was a recipient of the John W. Webb Lecture Award in 2000 and the Harvey A.K. Whitney Lecture Award in 2009, health-system pharmacy's highest honor. In 1990, he received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Toledo College of Pharmacy, in 2010, the Alumni Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award from the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy, and in 2013 the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science from the University of Toledo. In 2015, he was recognized as one of Washington's Trending Association Leaders by Bisnow.

Currently, Dr. Abramowitz serves on the Boards of the American Nurses Foundation, the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board and the GTMRx Institute. He also is a member of the National Steering Committee for Patient Safety of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement and a Professor-Emeritus at the University of Iowa.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dear Members of the Class of 2020,

Congratulations on this major accomplishment and significant milestone in your life! You have built your fortitude and resilience in this most challenging year of the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are confident that as you leave the Touro College of Pharmacy, you are prepared for your life's journey as a pharmacist. We know that the education and experiences you have received here have not only helped you grow intellectually but professionally and personally. With the guidance and advice of administration, faculty and staff, you have worked hard to build a solid foundation on which to establish your career. We are sure you will use these professional and clinical skills to provide outstanding health care to those you will be serving in the years to come.

As you begin the next phase in your life, remember that you will always have a home and family here at the Touro College of Pharmacy. We hope you will stay connected to the College, to the professors who have mentored you and to the friends with whom you have shared your professional educational experience.

We wish you the very best,

Abraham M. Jeger, Ph.D., Chief Operating Officer and Associate Dean, Student Affairs
Martin Brown, M.S., R.Ph., Associate Dean, Academic Affairs
Zvi Loewy, Ph.D., Associate Dean, Research
Heidi Fuchs, Assistant Dean, Admissions and Enrollment Management
Cheuk (Michael) Liu, Pharm.D., Assistant Dean of Clinical and Professional Affairs
Batoul Senhaji-Tomza, Pharm.D., M.P.H., Assistant Dean, Curriculum
Bupendra Shah, Ph.D., Assistant Dean, Assessment
Nelly Adel, Pharm.D., Chair, Pharmacy Practice
Sidhartha Ray, Ph.D., Interim Chair, Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Science
Elizabeth Unni, Ph.D., M.B.A., B.Pharm., Chair, Social, Behavioral and Administrative Sciences

2020 GRADUATES CANDIDATES FOR PHARM.D. DEGREE

Mirna Abdelsayed Svítlana Abramov* Alexander Agyei Marfo Michael Amirzadeh Kenya Anderson Viviana Arce Davila Samantha Arnold Valerie Atong Daniela Berger Michael Boadu* Thomas Calbert Jr. Ardita Capric Luciano Čenteno Giselle Chahili* Tamísha Charles-Cacho Nikki Chen

Lori-Ann Foster Virleny Garcia* Tracy George Kamal Godiwala Yasaman Golbari Jose Gonzalez Rivera

Claudette Donatien

Michael Cohen

Omar Dobie

Anthony Gyamfi Alison Ip Martina Jacob Shadia Jahan Shoa Javaid Rasheem Jones Joelle Kairys Emanuela Kalemasi Nino Katchiuri

Dino Katchiuri Mandeep Kaur Mikhail Kayumov Renata Khusainova Damian Kim

Yoola Kim Elane Kleyn*

Melody Kwang Mabial

Lin Lin Lam* Ariella Levie* Junyi Lin*

Yuliya Malinovskaya

María Marte Marilyn Mercedes Elana Mirakova Nazish Nawaz Christopher Nocco* Henrietta Ofuluozor* Zachary Orellana Gabrielle Orenbuch*

Hita Patel Christin Picinic Khananiya Pinkhasov

Michelle Rabi

Avíva Rakhamímova* Christopher Rosero Gabríyel Rubínov Bassam Saadeh*

Palash Sen*

Chana Setareh Shenas*

Fitsume Shawo
Rozerpal Singh
Mohamad Sow
Meshulem Stavsky
Mazol Suynov
Calvin Truong
Maryia Tsitarava
Denis Varughese
Faisal Wazed
Ryan Wolfe*
Shana Wolfstein*
Davis Yoon

NOTE: The listing in this program and participation in the commencement ceremony does NOT imply completion of requirements for graduation.

*Rho Chi member

CLASS OF 2020 RHO CHI MEMBERS

Students with a GPA of 3.5 or above and who are also in the top 20 percent of their class have been recognized as "Eligible for Rho Chi." This is purely an academic distinction as stipulated by the organization.

Svitlana Abramov Michael Boadu Giselle Chahili Virleny Garcia Elane Kleyn Lin Lin Lam Ariella Levie Junyi Lin Christopher Nocco Henrietta Ofuluozor Gabrielle Orenbuch Aviva Rakhamimova Bassam Saadeh Palash Sen Chana Setareh Shenas Ryan Wolfe Shana Wolfstein

CLASS OF 2020 HONOR STUDENTS*

Summa Cum Laude (3.90 – 4.00)

Ariella Levie Shana Wolfstein

Magna Cum Laude (3.75 – 3.89)

Gíselle Chahílí Vírleny García Elane Kleyn Junyí Lín Chrístopher Nocco Palash Sen Ryan Wolfe

Cum Laude (3.60 - 3.74)

Svitlana Abramov Michael Boadu Marilyn Mercedes Henrietta Ofuluozor Gabrielle Orenbuch Khananiya Pinkhasov Bassam Saadeh Chana Setareh Shenas

NOTABLE RECOGNITION FOR POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION

ALEXANDER AGYEI MARFO

North America Medical Affairs Inflammation and Immunology Rutgers University/Pfizer Pharmaceutical Industry Fellowship New Yok, NY

VIVIANA ARCE DAVILA

The Brooklyn Hospital Center Brooklyn, NY Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency -Pharmacotherapy (PGY1)

GISELLE CHAHILI

Baptist Hospital of Miami Miami, FL Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

CLAUDETTE DONATIEN

Flushing Hospital Medical Center
Flushing, NY
Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

VIRLENY GARCIA

Yale New Haven Hospital
New Haven, CT
Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

NINO KATCHIURI

North America Medical Affairs/Global Medical Affairs Rutgers University/Pfizer Pharmaceutical Industry Fellowship New York, NY

ELANE KLEYN

Bronx Care Health System
Bronx, NY
Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

MELODY KWANG-MABIAL

Mount Sinai Hospital New York, NY Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

MARILYN MERCEDES

SBH Health System
Bronx, NY
Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

ZACHARY ORELLANA

NYU Winthrop Hospital
Mineola, NY
Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

CHRISTIN PICINIC

Montefiore Nyack Hospital Nyack, NY Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

CHRISTOPHER ROSERO

Medical Communications MedVal Fellowship Princeton, NJ

MOHAMAD SOW

Staten Island University Hospital –
Northwell Postgraduate
Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

MARYIA TSITARAVA

Mount Sinai Brooklyn Brooklyn, NY Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

FAISAL WAZED

Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

RYAN WOLFE

RevHealth Marketing Fellowship Morristown, NJ

SHANA WOLFSTEIN

SBH Health System
Bronx, NY
Postgraduate Pharmacy Residency (PGY1)

CLASS OF 2020 AWARDS

STUDENT ACADEMIC AND SERVICE AWARDS

Academic Excellence Award

Shana Wolfstein received the 2020 Academic Excellence Award. The Academic Excellence award is given in recognition of superlative academic performance in the pharmacy curriculum, exceptional professionalism, and exemplary leadership qualities.

CVS Scholarship Award

Chana Setareh Shenas received the 2020 CVS Scholarship Award in recognition of her exceptional efforts and work ethic in a community pharmacy setting.

Mylan Pharmaceutical Excellence in Pharmacy Award

Henrietta Ofuluozor received the 2020 Mylan Pharmaceutical Excellence in Pharmacy Award for her academic performance, dedication to a community pharmacy and motivation to communicate drug information.

PSSNY 5-Year Membership Award

Claudette Donatien received the PSSNY Five-Year Membership Award which provides 5 years of paid PSSNY dues to a graduate that is devoted to PSSNY's core missions of advocacy, education and support for pharmacists.

USPHS Excellence in Public Health Award

Claudette Donatien received the 2020 United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Award in recognition of a pharmacy student's contributions to public health.

Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Sciences Department Award

Ryan Wolfe received the 2020 Department of Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences Award for overall performance in Pharmaceutical & Biomedical Science coursework and for demonstrating an affinity for basic research.

Pharmacy Practice Department Award

Virleny Garcia received the 2020 Pharmacy Practice Award in recognition of outstanding achievement in Pharmacy Practice as evidenced by exemplary academic performance, student leadership, professionalism, and participation in extracurricular activities.

Social, Behavioral and Administrative Sciences Department Award

Elane Kleyn received the 2020 Social, Behavioral and Administrative Sciences Department Award in recognition of outstanding achievement in community pharmacy and dedication to public health.

Best Co-Curricular Activity Award

Tracy George received the Best Co-Curricular Award for demonstrating exemplary performance in co-curricular activities and assignments.

Jennifer Newman Pharmacogenomics Award

Ariella Levie received the 2020 "Jenny Newman Award for Excellence in Pharmacogenomics". The award was established by the Newman family in memory of the late Jenny Newman, a member of the Class of 2018. Ms. Levie's ground breaking research focused on the use of pharmacogenomics to inform pharmacotherapy in chronic pain patients.

Research Track Award

Daniella Berger and **Aviva Rakhamimova** received the Dr. Steven Offenbacher memorial award for excellence in microbiome research presented to a graduating student who excelled in the Touro College of Pharmacy Research Track.

Student Ambassador Awards

Henrietta Ofuluozor and Viviana Arce Davila received the 2020 Student Ambassador Award in recognition of outstanding service to Touro College of Pharmacy. These students embody the mission of the College through outstanding service, outreach and/or research activities. They have advanced the Touro College of Pharmacy brand in the profession and in the community and have effectively balanced academic and extracurricular activities to excel in the community, professional practice and the classroom.

Best Tutor Awards

Giselle Chahili received the 2020 Best Individual Tutoring Award. This award is given to a student who participated as a tutor for Touro College of Pharmacy, and provided excellent tutoring services to individual students.

Elane Kleyn received the 2020 Best Group Tutoring Award. This award is given to a student who participated as a tutor for Touro College of Pharmacy and provided excellent tutoring services to student groups.

CLASS OF 2020 AWARDS

STUDENT ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP RECOGNITION AWARDS

Student Ambassadors, Student Affairs Service Certificates Virleny Garcia, Elane Kleyn, Marilyn Mercedes, Zachary Orellana and Mohamad Sow received the 2020 Student Ambassador Senior Recognition Certificates for their outstanding service to the College.

Academy of Managed Care Pharmacists Award

Marilyn Mercedes received the Touro Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy Award in recognition of her leadership to the chapter and commitment to increasing student awareness of managed care pharmacy.

American College of Clinical Pharmacy – Student College of Clinical Pharmacy

This award is presented to **Michelle Rabi** who has shown exemplary leadership for the advancement of clinical pharmacy.

American Pharmacists Association, Senior Recognition Certificate

Yoola Kim and **Elane Kleyn** received the 2020 American Pharmacists Association Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) Senior Recognition Certificate in recognition of their outstanding contribution to the APhA-ASP chapter.

American Society of Consultant Pharmacists Awards

This award is presented to **Tamisha Charles-Cacho** who has shown exemplary passion for the ASCP student chapter.

American Society of Health-System Pharmacists-Touro Student Society of Health-System Pharmacy (ASHP-SSHP) Award

Viviana Arce Davila and Virleny Garcia received the 2020 American Society of Health System Pharmacists-Touro Student Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP-SSHP) Award in recognition of their exceptional leadership and outstanding contributions to health-system pharmacy.

College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists Student Chapter Award

Zachary Orellana received the 2020 Senior Recognition Certificate for his innovative initiatives for the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists Student.

Drug Information Association

Alexander Agyei-Marfo and **Ryan Wolfe** received the 2020 DIA Award in recognition of exceptional leadership and outstanding contributions to the pharmacy profession.

Industry Pharmacists Organization Awards

Henrietta Ofuluozor and Christopher Nocco have been awarded the 2020 Industry Pharmacists Organization Certificate of Excellence, awarded to graduating students in recognition of their dedication to the Industry Pharmacists Organization and its mission to educate students and to advance the role of pharmacists in the pharmaceutical industry.

Industry Society of Pharmacoepidemilogy

Lori-Ann Foster and **Davis Yoon** received the 2020 ISPE award in recognition of exceptional leadership and outstanding contributions to the promotion of Pharmacoepidemiology.

International Society of Pharmoeconomics and Outcomes Research Awards

Luciano Centeno and **Nazish Nawaz** received the 2020 International Society of Pharmoeconomics and Outcomes Research Award in recognition of exceptional leadership and outstanding contributions to the pharmacy profession.

Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity Inc. - Touro Student Kappa Psi Award

Viviana Arce Davila and **Virleny Garcia** received the 2020 Touro Student Kappa Psi Award in recognition of exceptional leadership and outstanding contributions to the fraternity.

Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group Awards

Elane Kleyn received the 2020 Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group (PPAG) Award in recognition of their exceptional leadership and outstanding contributions to the pharmacy profession.

Pharmacists for Public Health Senior Recognition Awards

Viviana Arce Davila and Virleny Garcia received the 2020 Pharmacists for Public Health Senior Recognition Awards in recognition of their exemplary and visionary leadership, commitment to community service, and investments in the development of future pharmacy leaders who are vested in public health.

Pharmacists Society of the State of New York, Senior Recognition Certificates

Claudette Donatien received the 2020 PSSNY Senior Recognition Certificate in honor of their outstanding contribution to their PSSNY chapter.

Phi Lambda Sigma - Delta Sigma Chapter Award

Viviana Arce Davila and **Elane Kleyn** received the 2020 Phi Lambda Sigma - Delta Sigma Chapter student excellence award for their excellence and dedication to the pharmacy leadership society at Touro College of Pharmacy.

Rho Chi Honor Society Award

Michael Boadu and **Virleny Garcia** received the 2020 Touro College of Pharmacy Rho Chi Honor Society Award in recognition of their extraordinary work ethic and commitment to the profession.

Student National Pharmaceutical Association Awards
Claudette Donatien, Tracy George and Mandeep Kaur
received the 2020 Student National Pharmaceutical
Association (SNPhA) Awards in recognition of their exemplary
leadership, advocacy for the pharmacy profession, dedication

to community service, and honors they brought to the college and the organization.

FACULTY AND STAFF AWARDS

Professor of the Year Award

Rebecca Kavanagh, Pharm.D., BCACP, AAHIVP, Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice, received the 2020 Professor of the Year Award in recognition of superior teaching and commitment to quality pharmaceutical education.

Faculty Research Award

Feng-Hua (Ellen) Loh, M.B.A., Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Social, Behavioral, and Administrative Sciences, received the 2020 Faculty Research Award in recognition of demonstrating outstanding research during the past academic year.

Students' External Preceptor of the Year Awards

Victor Cohen, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCGP, Corporate Clinical Director, Pharmacy Services and Assistant Vice President, New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation; Shahnawaz Khan, R.Ph., Director of Pharmacy, Renaissance Health Care Network; and, Peter Lao, B.S., M.S., BCOP, BCPS, BCGP, Assistant Director of Pharmacy, Bronx Care Network, received the 2020 Students' External Preceptor of the Year Award. This award is given to preceptors who demonstrate a high standard of professionalism in the areas of pharmacy leadership and teamwork, clinical service, community service and involvement in enhancing patients' health and welfare.

Resident Recognition Award

Kyle Farina, Pharm.D., PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident, Mount Sinai Hospital, received the 2020 Touro College of Pharmacy Resident Recognition Award for service to Touro College of Pharmacy students.

Best Staff Member Award

Calvin Wang, B.S., Senior Laboratory Technician, received the 2020 Best Staff Member Award in recognition of exemplary professionalism, administrative competence, and interpersonal relationship as a staff member at Touro College of Pharmacy.

VISION

In keeping with the core values of Touro College, we envision educating and inspiring students to become compassionate, influential pharmacist-practitioners and leaders who capitalize on their diverse, real-world experiences to improve health nationally and globally.

MISSION

The mission of Touro College of Pharmacy is to develop the next generation of pharmacists vested in promoting wellness, especially among the underserved populations in Harlem and beyond, and contributing to scientific knowledge and expanding the roles and competencies of the profession toward improving patient-centered care processes and outcomes. We will inspire and educate ethical leaders in pharmacy through a collegial culture, scholarship, and experiential opportunities, and will strive for diversity in our student body, faculty and staff.

OATH OF A PHARMACIST

The revised Oath was adopted by the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) House of Delegates in July 2007 and has been approved by the American Pharmacists Association.

"I promise to devote myself to a lifetime of service to others through the profession of pharmacy. In fulfilling this vow:

- I will consider the welfare of humanity and relief of suffering my primary concerns.
- I will apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for my patients.
- I will respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me.
- I will accept the lifelong obligation to improve my professional knowledge and competence.
- I will hold myself and my colleagues to the highest principles of our profession's moral, ethical and legal conduct.
- I will embrace and advocate changes that improve patient care.
- I will utilize my knowledge, skills, experiences, and values to prepare the next generation of pharmacists.

I take these vows voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public."

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Thank you to the Commencement Steering Committee:

Abraham M. Jeger, Ph.D., COO and Associate Dean, Student Affairs

Pharm.D. Candidate Viviana Arce Davila

Pharm.D. Candidate Claudette Donatien

Pharm.D. Candidate Virleny Garcia

Pharm.D. Candidate Elane Kleyn

Pharm.D. Candidate Michelle Rabi

Ms. Jamillah Salters, Director of Student Services, Student Affairs

Thank you to our commencement volunteers.