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EDUCATION

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville School of Pharmacy (SIUe SOP) 2018-2022
Edwardsville, Illinois
Doctor of Pharmacy

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville 2014-2018
Edwardsville, Illinois
Bachelor of Science
Major in Biological Medical Science
Minor in Chemistry

PROFESSIONAL AND WORK EXPERIENCE

PGY1 Pharmacy Resident 2022-Present
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Montgomery, AL

- Direct patient care through various rotational experiences
- Quality Improvement Project in progress
- Medication Use Evaluation Project in progress
- Continuing Education Courses in progress

Pharmacy Tutor 2020-2022
SIUe SOP: Edwardsville, IL

- Created supplemental material for P2/P3 therapeutic courses
- Tutored P2 therapeutic courses

Medical Scribe 2016-2017
Christian Northeast: Florissant, MO

- Followed physicians in emergency department to gather and document patient information (HPI, medication list and history, medical history, physical assessment, lab readings, etc.)

COMPLETED PGY1 PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Community Living Center/Home-Based Primary Care December-January 2023
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Tuskegee, AL
Crystal Wood, PharmD, BCACP
Alicia Crawford, PharmD, BCGP

- Completed comprehensive monthly/quarterly chart reviews
- Provided patient-specific recommendations for disease state management
- Participated in interdisciplinary team discussions

Ambulatory Care II November-December 2022
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Montgomery, AL
Lauren Rass, PharmD, BCPS

- Created and implemented patient-specific comprehensive medication management plans: averaged about 10-12 patients/day
- Adjusted medication regimens under preceptors' scope of practice
- Ordered labs to assess safety and efficacy of medications

Anticoagulation Clinic October-November 2022
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Montgomery, AL
Jennifer Cook, PharmD

- Adjusted warfarin therapy under preceptor's scope of practice
- Ordered INR and CBC labs to assess safety and efficacy of anticoagulants
- Evaluated and counseled patients eligible for DOAC conversion

Internal Medicine August-September 2022
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Montgomery, AL
Perry Thompson, PharmD

- Provided discharge counseling on medications and smoking cessation
- Evaluated appropriateness of anticoagulation and antimicrobial regimens
- Provided patient-specific recommendations to hospitalists

Ambulatory Care I July-August 2022
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Columbus, GA
Autumn Gordon, PharmD, BCPS, BCGP
Adrianna Smith, PharmD, BCACP

- Created and implemented patient-specific comprehensive medication management plans: averaged about 5-6 patients/day
- Adjusted medication regimens under preceptors' scope of practice
- Ordered labs to assess safety and efficacy of medications

UPCOMING PGY1 PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Psychiatric Pharmacy May-June 2023
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Tuskegee, AL
Eileen Sordo, PharmD, BCPP

Academia April-May 2023
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System and Auburn University
Pamela Stamm, PharmD, BCPS, BCACP, CDCES, FASHP, FACC

Ambulatory Care III March- April 2023
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Montgomery, AL
Hope Allen, PharmD

Academic Detailing February-March 2023
Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System: Tuskegee, AL
Morgan Moulton, PharmD, BCPS

ADVANCED PHARMACY PRACTICE EXPERIENCE (APPE)

Internal Medicine

March-April 2022

HSHS St. Elizabeth's Hospital: O'Fallon, IL
Dawn Dankenbring, PharmD, BCPS

Academia

February-March 2022

SIUe School of Pharmacy: Edwardsville, IL
Stephanie Hunziker, PharmD, BCMTMS

Infectious Disease

January-February 2022

HSHS St. John's Hospital: Springfield, IL
Beth Cady, PharmD, BCPS

Ambulatory Care

October-November 2021

Volunteers in Medicine Clinic: St. Charles, MO
Lakesha Butler, PharmD, CDFT

Impact Research Rotation

August-October 2021

SIUe School of Pharmacy: Edwardsville, IL
Stephanie Hunziker, PharmD, BCMTMS

Community Pharmacy

July-August 2021

Maryville Independent Pharmacy: Maryville, IL
Harry Zollars, PharmD

Ambulatory Pharmacy in Hospice Care/Community Pharmacy

June-July 2021

Mercy Pharmacy, Tesson Ferry: St. Louis, MO
Brittany Gisi-Zata, PharmD

Hospital Pharmacy

May-June 2021

HSHS St. Elizabeth's Hospital: O'Fallon, IL
Julia Schimmelpfennig, PharmD, MS, BCPS, CDE

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Well-being and Resilience Committee – SIUe SOP

2021-2022

Class of 2022 Representative

Rho Chi Society – SIUe SOP

2020-2021

Fundraising Chair

Class Student Council – SIUe SOP

2019-2022

Co-Event Planning/Fundraising Chair

AWARDS AND HONORS

Academic Excellence Award

April 2022

Rho Chi Society

2020-2022

Summa Cum Laude

2014-2018

Dean's List

2014-2021

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Health-System Pharmacists	2021-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attended Midyear 2021 and 2022• Presented research poster at Midyear 2021	
Rho Chi Society	2020-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Directed fundraising events	
Student Society of Health System Pharmacists	2018-2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Competed in local clinical skills competition 2021	
Illinois Council of Health System Pharmacists	2018-2022

PUBLICATIONS

Continuing Education Course – Sexual Harassment for Illinois Pharmacist	February 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Co-presenter and co-creator• 1 credit hour course of continuing education for Illinois Pharmacist to complete annually	

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Resident Teaching and Learning Program – Auburn University	2022-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teaching certificate anticipated June 2023• Upcoming activities include co-precepting, teaching activity to student pharmacists and non-student pharmacists, facilitator activities, assessment activities	
POI (Peer Observation of Instruction) for Infectious Disease lecture	March 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Observed a professor and provided her with feedback on her teaching delivery in the form of a letter	
Vital Signs Demonstration Videos	March 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Created educational videos for the P1-P3 classes that demonstrated the encounter of taking vital signs	
SoTL (Scholarship of Teaching and Learning) Project	March 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presented a SoTL paper over the integration of clinical debates into the SIUe SOP curriculum• Created to help increase students' literature evaluation skills, communication skills, and confidence for rotations	
Case Validation	February 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assisted in validating patient cases utilized during PBAs (performance based assessment) for the P3 class at SIUe SOP	

GIFT (Group Instructional Feedback Technique) Session	February 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collected feedback from the P3 class at SIUe SOP regarding their experience with their intersession activities • Provided the feedback to the facilitators via letter and verbal communication 	
P1 Immunization Check Off	February 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helped lead the immunization training course for the P1 class • Provided assistance and education on proper technique 	
Rxcellence Independent Study at SIUe	Spring 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Created educational videos over pharmacy related topics such as blood pressure and vaping for high school students 	
Biology and Chemistry Tutor at SIUe – Student Success Center	2016-2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tutored students in biology and chemistry 	
General Chemistry Workshop Leader at SIUe – Department of Chemistry	2015-2016
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Directed workshop sessions for a general chemistry class • Taught and reviewed problem sets each week with the class 	

RESEARCH

Switzer, A, Allen H, Cash S, Cardoza, A. Incidence of Acute Kidney Injury or Urinary Tract Infection Following Empagliflozin Initiation. Medication Use Evaluation. Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System. 2022	2022-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In progress • Initial results presented at P&T Committee: November 2022 • Future presentation of follow-up findings at P&T committee meeting 	
Switzer, A, Allen, H, Wynn, A, Moses, C, Durham, S. Implementation of AUC/MIC Based Dosing for Vancomycin at CAVHCS. Quality Improvement Project. Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System. 2022	2022-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In progress • Future presentation at Southeast Residency Conference: April 2023 • Future presentation of findings at P&T Committee 	
Switzer, A, Starkey, K, Hunziker, S. Assessment of Illinois Student Pharmacist Readiness and Confidence in Prescribing Hormonal Contraceptives. Southern Illinois University Edwardsville School of Pharmacy Poster Presentation Showcase: April 2022; Virtual	April 2022
Switzer, A, Starkey, K, Hunziker, S. Assessment of Illinois Student Pharmacist Readiness and Confidence in Prescribing Hormonal Contraceptives. American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists Midyear Clinical Meeting Student Society Showcase: December 2021; Virtual	December 2021

PRESENTATIONS

Journal Club – Triglyceride Lowering with Pemafibrate to Reduce Cardiovascular Risk <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System• Audience: pharmacy department	January 2023
Case Presentation – De-escalation of inhaled corticosteroids in COPD <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System• Audience: pharmacy department	December 2022
Case Presentation – Acute COPD <ul style="list-style-type: none">• HSHS St. Elizabeth’s Hospital• Audience: pharmacy preceptor, staff and students	April 2022
Inservice Presentation – Heart Failure Guideline Update <ul style="list-style-type: none">• HSHS St. Elizabeth’s Hospital• Audience: pharmacy preceptor, pharmacy students, medical residents, and physicians	April 2022
Facilitative Discussion – CE (continuing education) vs CPD (continuing professional development) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SIUe SOP• Audience: pharmacy preceptor and students in the education specialization	February 2022
Journal Club - Pharmacy Student and Preceptor Perceptions of Preceptor Teaching Behaviors <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SIUe SOP• Audience: pharmacy preceptor and students	February 2022
Case Presentation – Gram-Positive Bacteremia <ul style="list-style-type: none">• St John’s Hospital• Audience: pharmacy preceptor, staff, and students	January 2022
Journal Club – Effectiveness of Oral Antibiotics for Definitive Therapy of Non-Staphylococcal Gram-Positive Bacterial Bloodstream Infections <ul style="list-style-type: none">• St John’s Hospital• Audience: pharmacy preceptor, staff, and students	January 2022
Case Presentation – Secondary Causes of Hypertension and White Coat Syndrome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volunteers in Medicine Clinic• Audience: pharmacy preceptors and students	November 2021
Journal Club – Empagliflozin in Heart Failure with Preserved Ejection Fraction <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volunteers in Medicine Clinic• Audience: pharmacy preceptors and students	October 2021

Case Presentation – Nutrition deficiency and obesity management in patients post gastric bypass surgery August 2021

- Maryville Independent Pharmacy
- Audience: pharmacy preceptor, staff, and students

Journal Club - Nutritional deficiencies after Roux-en-Y gastric bypass for morbid obesity often cannot be prevented by standard multivitamin supplementation August 2021

- Maryville Independent Pharmacy
- Audience: pharmacy preceptor, staff, and students

Journal Club - Family Perspectives on Hospice Care Experiences of Patients with Cancer July 2021

- Mercy Pharmacy – Tesson Ferry
- Audience: pharmacy preceptor and staff

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES

Alabama Pharmacist License (#22522)	2022-Present
Mental Health First Aider	2021-Present
Bleeding Control Basic v. 1.0 Certificate	2019-Present
American Pharmacists Association Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery	2019-Present
American Heart Association Basic Life Support- Healthcare Provider	2017-Present
Missouri Pharmacy Intern License (#2021013665)	2021-2022
Illinois Pharmacy Technician/Student License (#049.260052)	2018-2022