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Welcome Back!

By: Alyssa Hoang

Welcome to the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy P1s, and welcome back returning students! We hope you all had a great summer break and are ready for the new semester. Start off your year by checking out some of ASCP’s highlights from last year’s events.

We had a busy semester last fall with our Consultant Pharmacist Speaker Panel featuring Dr. Guerrero, Dr. Wang, and Dr. Ochoa. We were able to bring back our annual Senior Prom! We were also lucky to have our Voices of Hospice event with Kelly Ranson, RN, PHN, MSN and ended the year with our Membership Appreciation Lunch.

ASCP-Pacific is dedicated to serving and improving the health of seniors as well as to advocate the profession of consultant pharmacy. We have lots of great events planned for this year, such as our Fall Fundraising Week from September 4th-10th (more information on the third page), as well as our Consultant Pharmacist Speaker Event on September 25th!

Meet the 2023-2024 Executive Board

By: Alyssa Hoang

The new executive board was elected in Spring 2023. They were able to assist the previous board in planning Senior Prom and Voices of Hospice in the summer semester. Then, they planned Membership Lunch on their own. They are so excited for this upcoming year with all of the planned ASCP events.

They hope to officially bring back different events that were on campus pre-COVID, such as the Omnica-re Tours while having collaborative events with other organizations. Keep an eye out for any of these events that will be posted!

If you have any questions about ASCP, feel free to contact anyone on board. Pictured from left to right, Alisa Nguyen—VP of Professional Affairs, Alyssa Hoang—President, and Annalycia Reyes—VP of Finance and Fundraising.



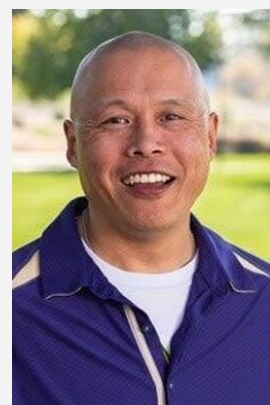
Meet Our Advisors

By: Annalycia Reyes



Dr. Carly Ranson is a faculty advisor of ASCP-Pacific, the Bone Mineral Density (BMD) committee, and Director of Pharmacy Cocurricular Programming. In addition to overseeing and teaching students as part of the Medicare Part D Mobile Outreach Clinics, she also teaches a course on the spectrums of aging (Pediatrics and Geriatrics). Dr. Ranson is a Board Certified Geriatric Pharmacist and practices at the VA Northern California precepting students, is on the advisory panel for the Partners in Care Foundation (PICF), and is a consultant pharmacist for Cureatr. At UOP, she encourages students to work hard to exceed expectations and find their voice and passion for the pharmacy profession by providing tools and support needed for success.

Dr. Clifford Young, RPh is also a faculty advisor of ASCP-Pacific. In addition to teaching, he is the Regional Coordinator for the Fresno APPE Region. He was on the Board of Directors of ASCP from 2009-2013, State CA ASCP Chapter President, and has had numerous committee positions with both ASCP and CA ASCP. With the California Pharmacist Association, he served as President from 2020-2021, past Speaker of the House of Delegates, and Board of Trustee member for three terms. He recently attained his Fellowship in the Academy of Wilderness Medicine in the Wilderness Medicine Society. Dr. Young's goal for his students at Pacific is that you should not let your PharmD silo you into the traditional pharmacist roles to attain your professional and personal goals.



Bone Mineral Density Committee

By: Nhi Dinh and Jeannie Chang

During the summer of 2023, the Bone Mineral Density Committee at the University of the Pacific has actively engaged in a series of events, including participation in Medicare Health Fairs and collaborations with other organizations. Working collectively as a committee, we have observed a notable increase in interest for bone density screenings and falls risks assessments at these events. This upturn in interest has been a source of tremendous motivation, propelling our continuous efforts to raise awareness about osteoporosis within the geriatric population. On campus, our committee successfully educated UOP students about osteoporosis as part of Osteoporosis Awareness Week, by orchestrating an informative presentation and encouraging students to participate in a fun activity to learn about bone health. Overall, the combined impact of these initiatives allowed us to effectively share valuable insight on osteoporosis and bone health with both students and the geriatric demographic.

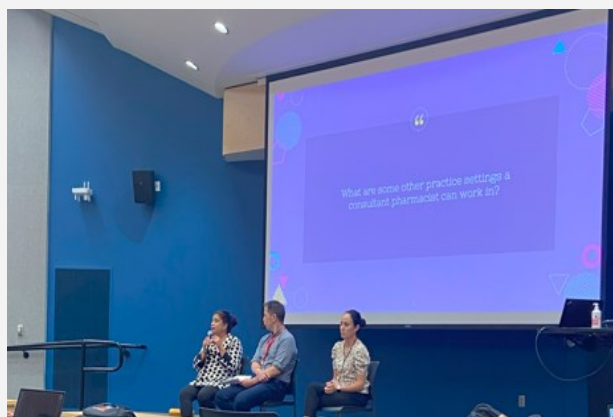


Consultant Pharmacist Speaker Panel

In September, ASCP invited Dr. Guerrero, Dr. Wang, and Dr. Ochoa to be on our Consultant Pharmacist Speaker Panel. Every year, ASCP invites different consultant pharmacists to give pharmacy students a broader insight on consultant pharmacy.

Dr. Ochoa is an alumni who has worked for Omnicare since 2005, primarily with the geriatric population. She serves as a preceptor while also working for Kaiser as an inpatient pharmacist. Dr. Wang was the general manager for Omnicare in Lodi and has been a consultant pharmacist for 15 years. Dr. Guerrero currently teaches at UOP and has many pharmacy experiences in different settings, but has been a consultant pharmacist mostly with skilled nursing facilities, rehab facilities, and mental health facilities.

Throughout the event, we asked them a variety of questions in regards to their consultant pharmacy career. Each of them provided excellent advice and an overview of the consultant pharmacy field. The audience learned about how each speaker became interested in the field, what they do in their daily lives, their favorite parts of their jobs, the impacts they have made, and more!



Voices of Hospice

Last May, we were lucky to have Kelly Ranson, RN, PHN, MSN join us in sharing her experience as a hospice nurse during our virtual Voices of Hospice event. We had over 100 Zoom attendees listen to her share different patient stories and the art of human connection even in the most difficult times. She provided an overview of what hospice care was and what she did as a hospice care nurse, such as providing support and comfort to individuals in their last moments of life. A majority of the attendees were touched and even shed some tears during her great presentation with touching, personal stories. ASCP enjoyed listening to her presentation and can't wait for her to join us again soon.



Senior Prom Night

In May, we brought back our annual Senior Prom! We have not had this event since 2019, but we were able to bring back the popular event.

Senior citizens, faculty, and pharmacy students danced the night away to a live band. Many seniors were ecstatic to find out we were bringing the event back and recalled their memories at our past Senior Proms. Attendees were able to socialize while enjoying a delicious, healthy meal. There was also a fun photobooth that was busy the entire night!

ASCP members had so much fun assisting at this event and can't wait to bring it back next year. Thanks to everyone who attended, the event was a huge success filled with food, laughter, and great company.



Membership Appreciation Lunch

By Alisa Nguyen

We were able to host our first in person Membership Appreciation event since 2019! This year, we made a little twist and made it a lunch instead of a dinner. While honoring our amazing advisors and the 2022-2023 executive board, we had the chance to introduce the new 2023-2024 executive board! Returning and new members were able to have a nice breather amidst the busy end of the trimester with music, food, and nice cold refreshments to cool off. There was also a Hawaiian-themed photobooth and plenty of board games for the members to enjoy. Overall, the ASCP members are glad that everyone was to enjoy a casual lunch with one another!



Fall Fundraising Week

By Annalycia Reyes

ASCP-Pacific's fall fundraising week is fast approaching and we have partnered with some great restaurants for members to visit and enjoy delicious food and drinks while also showing support for ASCP. The fundraiser will take place from September 4th - 10th and we will be selling our classic fleece jackets, wine glasses, and laptop sleeves!

ASCP-PACIFIC
Fall Fundraising Week
September 4th - September 10th

 MON 9/4	 TUES 9/5	 WED 9/6	 THURS 9/7	 FRI 9/8
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 LAPTOP SLEEVE \$35	 WINE GLASSES \$6 EACH, \$5 FOR 2+	 FLEECE JACKETS (BLACK, BLUE, GREY, MAROON) \$35 EACH, \$30 FOR 2+
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About ASCP-Pacific

The American Society of Consultant Pharmacists at University of the Pacific was founded at the Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in 2008. ASCP-Pacific is active involved in providing and improving senior care, and advocating the field of consultant pharmacy. Our membership currently consists of approximately 130 men and women at different levels of their pharmacy studies and career. ASCP-Pacific is dedicated to serving and improving the health of senior citizens as well as advocate the profession of consultant pharmacy.

In addition, ASCP-Pacific reaches out to the community through the Bone Mineral Density Committee and the Medication Use Safety Training (MUST™) Program.. The Bone Mineral Density Committee is a professional association that provides bone mineral density, anemia, fall risk, and memory decline screenings at community health fairs. It was created in 2012 and is the only committee that is under a national organization — the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists. The MUST™ program provides an educational and interactive experience in which participants have the opportunity to ask questions about their medications and receive individualized assistance. It promotes helps participants avoid medication misuse, recognize and manage common side effects, and improve medication use knowledge to avoid medication errors.

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Honor Cord Requirements

To receive an honor cord at graduation, ASCP-Pacific members must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Be an active member for all 3 years at Thomas J. Long School of Pharmacy (or an additional honor cord event to make up for any missing years of membership).
2. Attend at least 6 general meetings.
3. Accumulate 5 honor cord points by the end of the second year (offered by attending speaker events, Senior Prom, and other ASCP events).



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