



Future pharmacy leaders build their national network 🏛️ | Pharmacy alumni and students traveled to Washington, D.C. for 'Policy, Advocacy and Leadership Immersion Week,' part of the Walker Leadership Scholars program. [Read more...](#)

FROM THE DEAN'S DESK

Hello to you all! I hope this message finds you planning for, or just back from, spending time with your families at a great vacation spot. While the halls of the college are a little more quiet than usual right now, our students are continuing to learn as they take part in internships, introductory pharmacy experiences, and advanced pharmacy practice experiences. Thank you to all of the wonderful preceptors who make experiential learning possible for our students!

The faculty and staff of the College continue to be hard at work as well. In fact, we are just back from a two-day retreat during which we kicked off two important endeavors, one focused on curricular exploration and planning, and another focused on defining the values and culture important to our College family. Faculty and staff will be working through the summer to further define the values that we wish to exemplify, and to see exemplified, by each member of our College of Pharmacy family. The work these faculty and staff are doing will be fundamental to shaping the future culture of our College of Pharmacy community. There is something always happening in the College of Pharmacy, and we cannot wait to welcome students back in August!



Julie M. Sease, Pharm.D.
Interim Dean



Gardening - It is Good for the Body and the Soul



UofSC Researchers Resolve Mystery of Resveratrol

Throughout his Pharm.D. studies and teaching in the College of Pharmacy, alumnus Wayne Buff worked to create a magnificent backyard garden with more than 400 daylily varieties.

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Assistant Professor Sajish Mathew and his team have focused their efforts on resolving a decades-long scientific mystery regarding the controversial outcomes of resveratrol.

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Hastings Receives Grant to Study IISs and Vaccinations

Assistant Professor Tessa Hastings received a \$420K grant from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases of the National Institutes of Health.

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Alumni Q&A with Chelsea Drennen ('19)

Gamecock athletics alumna Chelsea Drennen shares the major impact of mentors on her pharmacy journey so far. Learn more in our latest alumni Q&A.

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AROUND THE COLLEGE

- Assistant Professor **Tessa Hastings** elected to the Board of Directors for the [South Carolina Immunization Coalition](#).
- "[Use of Some SSRIs With Oxycodone Linked to Overdose](#)" | Pain Medicine News feat. Assistant Professor **Ismaeel Yunusa**
- Associate Professor **Kevin Lu**, Ph.D. student **Xiaomo Xiong** and pharmacy student **Ashley Horras** studied the [impact of financial barriers to health care on status, utilization and costs](#) among patients with cognitive impairment.
- Alumna **Alyson Gibson Wilder** ('07) selected by current pharmacy residents as Prisma Health Midlands Preceptor of the Year.

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

- **Class of 2026 White Coat Ceremony:** It's almost that time of year! The College of Pharmacy White Coat Ceremony will be held on **August 19** for the next class of Gamecock pharmacy students. Want to welcome them to the pharm-ily? A gift of \$45 will provide one white coat to a new P1 student.

[Sponsor a White Coat for the Class of 2026](#)

- **Attention Class of 2022 Graduates:** CVS Health invites you to participate in their 2022 Pharmacy Grad Recruiting Event, which will take place virtually on **June 28**. Join any time from 6 p.m. EST to 8 p.m. EST.

[Register for the event here](#). If you are unable to attend the event but want to learn more, contact the [CVS Health University Relations Team](#).

- **Know any future Gamecock pharmacy students?** The application for Fall 2023 admission to the Pharm.D. program at UofSC opens **July 1**. [Visit our website](#) for more information.
- **Looking Ahead:** Mark your calendars for the **Virtual Pharmacy Career Expo, February 3, 2023**. Whether you are a new graduate or experienced alumni, we invite you to participate and speak with students about your career path. If you're also looking fill internships or hire for pharmacist positions - that's a bonus! More information to come.



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