About UC San Diego Skaggs School of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences (SSPPS)

UC San Diego SSPPS offers students an innovative and flexible curriculum leading to the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree, taught by a stellar health sciences faculty in a program closely associated with the outstanding clinical, research and academic programs.

UC San Diego offers pre-eminent health sciences professional education and research opportunities and is ranked among the top research-intensive universities in the nation.

UC San Diego SSPPS students are an integral part of the rich academic and research environment on the UC San Diego campus. The PharmD curriculum also includes basic science and professional practice classes on a campus with premier educational programs in chemistry, biology, physics and engineering. More information about SSPPS can be found at: www.pharmacy.ucsd.edu
About PureCare Pharmacy

PureCare Pharmacy is a small San Diego business that's dedicated to helping its patients live their healthiest life. PureCare is committed to being a one-stop family pharmacy, and offers all the amenities of big chain drug stores, but with added compassion, empathy and creativity. PureCare wants to get to know its patients and their families, and help understand + achieve their wellness goals.

PureCare's mission and commitment is evidenced in the comprehensive menu of services the pharmacy offers, and the genuine relationships the team cultivates.

PureCare wants its patients to have the information and the choices they need in order to get the care they deserve. More information about PureCare Pharmacy can be found at: www.purecarepharmacy.com
Residency Overview

This one-year postgraduate training program in community practice builds upon the doctor of pharmacy education and outcomes to develop community-based pharmacist practitioners with diverse patient care, leadership, and education skills who are eligible to pursue advanced training opportunities including postgraduate year two (PGY2) residencies and professional certifications.

This program will also allow the resident to practice in a dynamic, independently owned community pharmacy and gain real-world experience while developing their business acumen, leadership, and entrepreneurial skills. Additionally, the resident will have the opportunity to enhance their clinical skills by practicing at UC San Diego Health—one of the state’s top-ranked health systems.

Meet Our Team

Mina Said
PharmD, Owner of PureCare Pharmacy, Lead Preceptor

Alex Luli
PharmD, Residency Program Director

Christina Mnatzaganian
PharmD, Family Medicine Preceptor

Mark Bounthavong
PharmD, PhD, Research Project Advisor
Residency Opportunities

- Comprehensive medication management
- Innovative clinical programs
- Practice-based research
- Leadership in pharmacy management
- Entrepreneurial skills

Career Preparation For

- Community pharmacy ownership
- Developing novel pharmacy services
- PGY2 residency program
- Ambulatory care
- Board certification
- Academia

Required Learning Experiences

- Orientation
- PureCare Pharmacy ownership
- PureCare Pharmacy service development
- Family Medicine Clinic
- Student-Run Free Clinic
- Residency project
- Teaching certificate
Residency Program Summary

- Start date: July 1st
- Residency positions accepted each year: 1
- Projected annual stipend: $63,000
- Vacation, sick, and professional leave
- Health, dental, and vision insurance coverage
- Stipend for conference travel
- Teaching certificate available
- ASHP accredited
- NMS #241715

Application Requirements

- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- 3 letters of recommendation
- Official transcripts

Due: January 7, 2024 via PhORCAS

For more information, please visit

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