

School of Pharmacy

Scholarship Profile



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Student Bio

Jimmy is originally from Rockford, Illinois. He earned a bachelor's degree in biology and biochemistry from Carroll University in Waukesha, Wisconsin before coming to the University of Wyoming. Jimmy chose the University of Wyoming because of the dual degree MBA/PharmD program and for the favorable class size. He says "I chose pharmacy because I saw pharmaceutical management as an opportunity for both job placement and growth."

While in the School of Pharmacy, Jimmy has enjoyed many role models through the faculty and staff, and he particularly values the mentoring he received from Dr. Larry Staubach. He says "I have been able to conduct research with Dr. Staubach that has given me experience and networking opportunity. The projects we have worked on have made me more competent in both research design and the participant interviewing process."

Jimmy has also enjoyed the opportunity to gain leadership experience, serving as class president, president of president's council, and president of Phi Lambda Sigma, while also participating in other organizations. He says "the leadership skills I have gained will positively impact my ability to pursue any career in management."

Linda Wells Excellence in Pharmacy Scholarship

Raised in Worland, Dr. Linda Wells (1970) moved to Casper where she attended Natrona County High School. After earning a B.S. degree in pharmacy at UW, she received an M.S. degree in mental health in 1983 and a Ph.D. in chemical dependency, both from Columbia Pacific University. An avid lifelong learner, Wells later attended Harvard Business School and received a certificate in business management.

While working in pharmacies and benefits management she recognized an opportunity in the industry and started her own successful business in California. Dr. Wells was one of the first woman pharmacists to be a leader in the practice of managed care pharmacy and she enjoyed time in Ramona, California and Jackson, Wyoming. Dr. Wells was a longtime benefactor of the UW School of Pharmacy.

