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UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING SCHOOL OF PHARMACY EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION



## What's New

## TIPs for the UPcoming New Year

By Kimberly Snody, CPhT, MS

Happy New Year!!

We hope that your holiday season was joyful and that 2025 brings you happiness, success and many wonderful experiences.

What the new year signifies for the University of Wyoming School of Pharmacy Experiential Education Office is that our current P4's, the class of 2025, are entering the final stretch of their rotation year with just four more experiential learning experiences. Some of our P4 students might be requesting an absence from their rotation site in the upcoming months due to interviews for jobs and residency programs. So how do you confirm or deny a student absence in CORE... it is easy. Here is a link to show the steps. <u>How to confirm or deny a student absence in CORE</u>



## **Global Connections: UWSOP's Partnership with Cardiff University**

By Janelle Krueger, MS, RPh

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a pharmacist in another country? How does pharmacy education and training look outside of the US? What can we learn from pharmacy students and pharmacists from other countries?

UWSOP faculty and students had a chance to answer these questions and more after collaborating with colleagues from Cardiff University School of Pharmacy (Cardiff, Wales, UK).

The UWSOP is working to increase international connections and build opportunities for students to engage with other countries. Our first partnership is with Cardiff University School of Pharmacy. Two UWSOP faculty members (Janelle Krueger and Tracy Mahvan) spent a week in Cardiff observing pharmacy practice and learning about the UK training model for student pharmacists. In April, three Cardiff faculty members came to Wyoming to tour hospital, community and ambulatory care practice sites as well as engage with various activities within the UWSOP. In addition to faculty connections, students in the class of 2026 were the first to participate in a novel Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) activity between pharmacy students in Wyoming and Cardiff.

COIL is an inclusive way of allowing all students in a class to have an intercultural experience without having to travel. Over two months, students engaged with one another via online discussions to learn about and compare healthcare, pharmacy education and pharmacy practice in each country. A culminating activity was having small groups of students from each country working together to solve a patient case in the online Wales Virtual Hospital platform.

Students were able to learn about another culture, how pharmacy and medical terminology may differ in the UK, and practice teamwork and clinical decision-making through a digital case.

Future plans include continuing the COIL activity and developing student exchanges between our two locations. These international collaborations can enhance students' educational experiences and prepare them for a globalized healthcare environment.



Please feel free to reach out to the Experiential Education Office with any questions or needs during the remainder of the academic year. We would be happy to assist you.

All the best, The University of Wyoming Experiential Education Office

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