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Special points of interest:

- **School is on track to meet timeline for admissions of entering class in fall 2009.**
- **Hiring update**
- **Faculty scholarship**
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Accreditation Process Moving Forward

The School of Pharmacy is on track to meet the timeline necessary to achieve pre-candidate status prior to entry of our first class in fall 2009.

ACPE requested further development on ten of the thirty standards addressed in the original application. A decision was made to assemble an ACPE Application Task Force to conduct an internal peer-review of the entire application as opposed to simply

rewriting the identified standards with the goal of producing a stronger, more thorough application. Meetings were held on a biweekly basis for inter-disciplinary review and critique of each standard. An external advisory group has also been assembled to conduct an external peer review of the application.

The review process is completed, suggested revisions integrated and the document sent for printing and binding. Submission of the application is targeted for late November.

School of Pharmacy Hires

Personnel	Start Date
Rodney Larson, Ph.D., R.Ph., Founding Dean	September 2007
Audrey Brissette, Administrative Assistant to the Dean	January 2008
Danny Huff, Pharm.D., Chair of Pharmacy Practice	May 2008
Eric Jarvi, Ph.D., Associate Dean	June 2008
Leslie Devaud, Ph.D., Chair of Basic Pharmaceutical Sciences	July 2008
Julie Ogden, Director of Admissions and Student Services	August 2008
William Linblad, Ph.D., Professor of Pharmacology	October 2008
Ahmed Abdelmageed, Pharm.D., Assistant Professor and Director of Experiential Education	November 2008
Kara Shirley, Pharm.D., Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice	November 2008
Shuhua Bai, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Pharmaceutics	March 2009

To date, more than 60 applications have been received for eight full-time positions in School. Fourteen candidates have been interviewed. One letter of offer is still pending and we expect to extend a letter of offer to one more finalist this month.

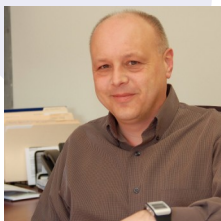
With the necessity of having internships available for January of the first professional year, fifty-one affiliation agreements have already been signed with Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience sites and another 35 sites have submitted a letter of intent to participate.



Meet our Newest Faculty and Staff Members



Dr. Leslie Devaud
Professor and Chair of Basic
Pharmaceutical Sciences



Dr. Dan Huff
Assoc. Prof. and Chair of
Pharmacy Practice



Dr. Ahmed Abdelmageed
Asst. Prof. and Director of
Experiential Education



Dr. Bill Lindblad
Professor of Pharmacology



Dr. Kara Shirley
Assoc. Prof. of Pharmacy Practice



Julie Ogden
Director of Admissions
and Student Services

Faculty Scholarship and Research

Dr. Leslie Devaud is a nationally renowned alcohol researcher who brings with her a seven year \$1 million competitive renewal NIH RO1 award that has three years remaining on the grant.

Dr. Bill Lindblad does research in wound healing, has five patents and has been awarded in excess of \$1 million in competitive grants

Dr. Shuhua Bai has research interests in pulmonary drug delivery and has eight publications and 12 abstracts to his credit.

Dr. Kara Shirley is board certified in both psychiatric pharmacy and pharmacotherapy as well as having a certificate in geriatric pharmacy. She has (co)-authored 10 refereed publications and 17 abstracts.



Student Recruitment

The enrollment application is currently available online at our newly updated School of Pharmacy website. In addition to a formal presentation to pre-pharmacy students at Husson University, site visits have been made to twenty different feeder institutions by our Director of Admissions and Student Services and/or Associate Dean including: Eastern Maine Community College; University of Maine, Orono; University of New Brunswick;

Northern Maine Community College; Central Maine Community College; Rivier College (NH); Franklin Pierce College (NH); New Hampshire Technical Institute; New England College (NH); and Plymouth State College (NH). We are already receiving applications as part of our rolling admissions process for our entering class of 65 students.

Remodeling

Meetings with the architectural firm continues to finalize drawings for the remodeling of space on the third floor of Peabody Hall which will house the School of Pharmacy.

The Husson University Trustees have designated approximately 25,000 square feet in the Peabody/Commons academic complex for the School of Pharmacy. The School will adjoin all of the institution's science labs as well as those facilities dedicated to the pre-pharmacy program and the doctoral program in Physical Therapy.

Planned renovations include 26 individual offices; four 40-seat classrooms; two 80-seat classrooms; three 20-seat classrooms; a 40-

seat cognitive skills laboratory with an adjoining patient counseling/assessment room; a dispensing laboratory including a simulated IV/sterile compounding area; and a pharmacy research laboratory.

Some of the remodeled office space is designated for use by faculty from other schools and the classroom space will be available for use by other University programs when not scheduled for pharmacy classes. The remodeling will be completed in time for the entry of the inaugural class of 65 students in September 2009.

Husson University School of Pharmacy — a regional leader in integrative pharmacy education.