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Mission and Purpose: The SEC is an elected group of students that serves as a voice in representing the VCU School of Pharmacy. It was established in 1999 to promote practical education in the process of self-government. The group meets once a month and comprises three executive officers, four class presidents, 12 organization presidents and the editor of The Capsule. It has six deans as advisors. The SEC promotes scholastic achievement, encourages understanding and communication with faculty and students, coordinates activities of the School of Pharmacy community and furthers professional, social and legislative interests within the school and for the profession of pharmacy.

The purpose of the SEC is to uphold the interests of the School of Pharmacy student body and to serve as the sole governing group to address the following objectives:

1. Uphold the executive, legislative, and judicial powers of the VCU School of Pharmacy.
2. Act as liaisons between the School of Pharmacy.
3. To facilitate an open forum for discussion among the leaders of the student organizations, classes and fraternities.
4. To facilitate the planning of the School of Pharmacy student activities including Fall and Spring picnics, Fall Open House, Student Assembly Hours, the Pharmacy Formal, the Interdisciplinary Skills Competition, and School of Pharmacy/VCU Campus Health Fair.
5. To encourage and establish standards of professionalism among the student body.

2017-18 Officers:
President: Devin Woods
Vice president: Sherwyn Tenia
Secretary: Russie Tran
Mission and Purpose: Over the next four years, we aim to not only develop pharmacological knowledge, but also the leadership skills that will differentiate ourselves from the pack.

Our class consists of an extremely diverse and multi-talented group of students. Here’s a quick snapshot of our class:

- 140 students
- 64 percent female, 36 percent male
- Mean age of 23, with an age range from 20 to 41
- 76 percent Virginia residents
- 24 percent out-of-state residents from 12 different states
- 97 percent hold baccalaureate degrees
- 72 percent attended Virginia colleges and universities in undergrad

See our Facebook page for more.

2017-18 Officers:
President: David D’Amico
Vice president: Eric Olson
Treasurer: Cameron Pretlow
Graduation chairs: Tyler Borup and Tyler Earley
Secretary: Gia Dulai
Historians: Nik Buela and Taylor Lansing
Intramural representatives: Tyler Borup and Tyler Earley
Webmaster: Yasser Ali
SGA representatives: Rebecca Patterson, Lily Jia and Alexandra Schmid
Mission and Purpose: Over the next four years, we aim to not only develop pharmacological knowledge, but also the leadership skills that will differentiate ourselves from the pack.

See our Facebook page for more.

2016-17 Officers:
President: Heather Rucker
Vice president: Russie Tran
Treasurer: Winston Ku
Secretary: Diana Tran
Historians: Olivia Caron and Sam DeMarco
Social chairs: Ryan Gibson and Alex Perry
SGA representatives: Janae Shatwell, Emily Harmon and Riley Scalzo
Webmaster: David Gibrael
Philanthropy chairs: Stephani Halloran and Caroline Jones
Intramural chairs: Ashley Stegemiller and Josh Thai
Mission and Purpose: Over the next four years, we aim to not only develop pharmacological knowledge, but also the leadership skills that will differentiate ourselves from the pack.

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2016-17 Officers:
President: David Doan
Vice President: Andrew Stockman
Treasurer: Leah Selznick
Secretary: Amy Skolnick
Historians: Taylor Zurick and Gwen Hua
Intramural representatives: Allen Li and Thu Le
SGA representatives: Wen Li Cheng, Sydney Prezioso, Austin Progar
Social chairs: Joe McDonald and Mary Beth Bryant
Philanthropy chairs: Amanda VanInwegen, Danielle Hess and Sydney Prezioso
Mission and Purpose: Learn more about the class of ’21 by visiting our Facebook page.

2017-18 Officers:
TBD
American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP)

Mission and Purpose: The APhA Academy of Student Pharmacists is the student affiliate of the American Pharmacists Association. Membership to this organization encompasses the student affiliate, the Virginia Pharmacists Association, the American Pharmacists Association and the International Pharmaceutical Students’ Federation. The mission of the APhA Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) is to be the collective voice of student pharmacists, to provide opportunities for professional growth, to improve patient care and to envision and advance the future of pharmacy. We promote the profession of pharmacy through legislative affairs, community service, public relations and social activities. We are proud to represent the largest majority of student pharmacists at VCU School of Pharmacy.

See our Facebook page for more.

2017-18 Officers:
President: Tammy Yu
President-elect: Danielle Hess
Vice president of membership: Caroline Jones
Secretary: Kayla Sheets
Finance vice president: Jacob Ellerbock
Communications vice president: Stephani Halloran
Patient care vice president: Carrie Hansen
International vice president: Arzu Moosvi
Policy vice presidents: Sachpreet Bajaj and Amanda Vaninwegen
Historians: Jenna Pham and Julia Scott
Generation Rx: Clare Crosland
Operation Heart: Brittany Speed
Operation Diabetes: Hannah Davidson
Operation Immunization: Laura Hsu
Project CHANCE: Riley Scalzo
Student exchange officer: Emily Scott
VPhA liaisons: Morgan Mabey and Cassandra Schmitt
Inova class liaison: Rebecca Peng
U.Va. class liaison: Keenan Rea
P4 class liaison: Nicholas Rebolt
P3 class liaison: David Lee
P2 class liaison: Morgan Morrell
P1 class liaison: TBD
Policy vice presidents: Adrienne Simmons and Yasser Ali
Christian Pharmacists Fellowship International (CPFI)

Mission and Purpose: Christian Pharmacists Fellowship International (CPFI) is a worldwide ministry of individuals working in all areas of pharmaceutical service and practice. Our mission is to:

• Provide fellowship among like-minded professionals
• Challenge and promote spiritual growth
• Encourage the advancement of knowledge and ethics in the practice of pharmacy
• Encourage evangelism and the integration of faith into practice, and
• Provide support and opportunity for service in both home and foreign missions.

See our Facebook page for more.

2017-18 Officers:
President: Victoria Allen
President-elect (vice president): Drew Stockman
Secretary: Danielle Hess
Treasurer: Gihun Kim
Historian: Carrie Carter
Inova representative: Vivian Tran
Mission and Purpose: VCU School of Pharmacy has three professional pharmacy fraternities, Phi Delta Chi (PDC), Kappa Epsilon (KE) and Kappa Psi (KY), all of which are open to all students for membership through the rush process.

Rush occurs each semester. However, students are able to rush a fraternity only if they have completed one semester of pharmacy school, are not currently or will not be on probation, and do not have any affiliation with any pharmacy fraternity. All pledges will be required to attend at least one rush week event for the fraternity they wish to rush. Please do not hesitate to contact Parker Campanella at campanellapd@vcu.edu with any questions.

2017-18 Officers:
President: Parker Campanella
Advisor: Rachel Flurie
Mission and Purpose: Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity develops leaders to advance the profession of pharmacy. Phi Delta Chi, a life-long experience, promotes scholastic, professional, and social growth in its Brothers. We strive to provide quality services to our patients, thereby advancing public health and strengthening ourselves as health professionals.

See our Facebook page for more.

2017-18 Officers:
Worthy Chief Counselor (president): Diana Gregory
Worthy Vice Counselor (vice president): Brittany Howlett
Worthy Keeper of Records and Seals (secretary): Tia Scott
Worthy Keeper of Finance (treasurer): Winifred Okunlola
Worthy Master at Arms (ritual keeper): Usman Mahmood
Worthy Correspondent (national liaison): Sabrina Phillips
Worthy Inner Guard (pledge coordinator): Chynna Bambico
Worthy Prelate (historian): Devki Gajera
Worthy Alumni Liaison (alumni liaison): Stephanie Seto
SEC representative: Brittany Mihalcoe
Inova representative: Goldie Chang
U.Va. representative: Yvonne Zhang
Advisors: Patty Slattum and Lisa Phipps
Mission and Purpose: Kappa Epsilon Fraternity is a nationwide organization, which was founded in 1921 and includes over 16,000 members. KE’s mission is to unite women in the profession of pharmacy, stimulate a desire for high scholarship, foster a professional consciousness, and to provide a bond of lasting friendship. The mission of Kappa Epsilon is to empower its members to achieve personal and professional fulfillment by developing their confidence, self esteem, interpersonal skills, and leadership vision; and represent the interest of the membership to healthcare professionals and the community at large. The Tau chapter at VCU Medical College of Virginia Campus includes over 80 members and is involved in many community, social, and professional activities.

See our Facebook page for more.

2017-18 Officers:
President: Hannah Sharpe
Vice president: Kayla Sheets
Treasurer: Caroline Jones
Potential new member educators: Carolyn Hill, Morgan Morrell, Mary Beth Bryant
Alumni liaison: Taylor Ferguson
Chaplain: Caitlyn Moody
Scholarship chair: Heather Rucker
Recording secretary: Brittani Collins
Corresponding secretary: Riley Scalzo
Fundraising chair: Jamie Haas
Sergeant at arms: Wylie Crane
Historians: Gina Prizzio, Kathryn Wesson
Public relations chair: Leah Selznick
P4 representative: Chelsea Sprouse
Inova representative: Azka Usmani
Advisor: Emily Peron
Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity

Mission and Purpose: The Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity, founded in 1879, is the oldest and largest pharmaceutical fraternity. Kappa Psi was formed with the mission of community involvement through professional activities. In addition, Kappa Psi strives to foster scholarships and mutually benefits all its members through industry, sobriety, fellowship, and high ideals. The Theta Chapter of Kappa Psi was installed at the Medical College of Virginia on July 30, 1921.

See our Facebook page or website for more.

The objectives of the organization include:
- To conduct a professional fraternal organization for the mutual benefit of its members;
- To develop industry, sobriety, and fellowship;
- To foster high ideals, scholarship, and pharmaceutical research;
- To support all projects which will advance the profession of pharmacy and to actively participate in them;
- To inspire in its members a deep and lasting pride in their Fraternity and in the profession of pharmacy;
- To render such other services to its members and its profession feasible and in accordance with the constitution and bylaws of the Fraternity.

2016-17 Officers:
Regent: Tyler Goins
1st Vice Regent: Tyler Ayers
2nd Vice Regent: David D’amico
Historian: Nikholas Buela
Secretary: Cameron Pretlow
IFC representative: Taylor Bernas
Sergeant-at-arms: Tyler Earley
Chaplain: Michael Kanupp
Alumni representative: Kyle Sandridge
Phi Lambda Sigma (PLS)

Background: As the Beta Nu Chapter of Phi Lambda Sigma (PLS), the National Pharmacy Leadership Society, we support pharmacy leadership commitment by recognizing leaders and fostering leadership development. Beta Nu’s mission is to promote leadership within the profession of pharmacy, particularly among student pharmacists, in an effort to advance the profession. Leadership emanates from the current membership of the society.

Membership is bestowed upon students, faculty, and alumni who demonstrate dedication, service, and leadership as pharmacy advocates. Through peer recognition, the society encourages participation in all pharmacy activities. Such recognition aids in personal and professional growth, stimulates more active involvement, and promotes the greater effort toward the advancement of the profession of pharmacy.

Beta Nu is excited about new initiatives, including Bone Marrow Donation Awareness through Be the Match.

2016-17 Officers:
- President: Elena Fernandez
- Vice president: Jessica Reid
- Treasurer: Tyler Goins
- Secretary: Corrie Sanders
- Professional events coordinator: Laura Woodard
- Historian: Nikki Gavva
- Advisor: David Holdford
(PPSG)

Mission and Purpose: Coming Soon!

2017-18 Officers: TBD
Rho Chi

Mission and Purpose: The Rho Chi Society is the national pharmacy academic honor society. The Lambda chapter was established at the Medical College of Virginia in 1929, and the School of Pharmacy’s deans select inductees for membership based on their GPA and class ranking. Honor society membership, like most worthwhile things in life, does not come easily. An invitation to membership reflects not only exceptional achievement but expectations of excellence and future contributions to the profession of pharmacy.

The society’s vision is to achieve universal recognition of its members as lifelong intellectual leaders in pharmacy. As a community of scholars, the society will instill the desire to pursue intellectual excellence and critical inquiry to advance the profession.

The mission of the society is to encourage and recognize excellence in intellectual achievement and foster fellowship among its members. Further, the society encourages high standards of conduct and character and advocates critical inquiry in all aspects of pharmacy.

See our website for more.

2016-17 Officers:
President: Katherine Ciampa
Vice president: Tyler Ayers
Secretary: Jerald Garrett Jr.
Treasurer: Robin Le
Inductions chair: Haleigh Helsing
Scholarship chair: Alyssa Hager
Fundraising chair: Rebecca Patterson
Historian: Tiffany Lee
U.Va. representative: Joseph Daggy
Inova representative: Sana Zahid
Graduate representative: Crystal Leibrand
Advisor: Phillip M. Gerk
Mission and Purpose: The focus of the Student Association of Community Pharmacists is on both Community and Independent pharmacy practice. SACP promotes student involvement through community service events, pharmacy advocacy, patient care as well as informative speakers at our general meetings. We recently began “Rx Field Trips” to local independent and community pharmacies to see unique practices first hand.

See our Facebook page for more.

2016-17 Officers:
President: Chelsea Llayton
President-elect: Hannah Davidson
Vice president: Jatinder Singh
Treasurer: Trena Llayton
Secretary: Chelsea Sprouse
Historian: Jadore Douglas
Community service chair: Lauren Klein
Fundraising chair: Phuong Opper
Legislative chair: Steve Chung
Membership chair: Tabitha Robinson
Compounding chair: Tyler Wilson
P4 representative: Jeffrey McKenzie
P3 representative: Phuong Opper
P2 representative: Hannah Davidson
Student Association of Consultant and Geriatric Pharmacists (SACGP)

Mission and Purpose: The Student Association of Geriatric and Consultant Pharmacists (SACGP) encourages members to be active with the geriatric community through our involvement with PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) and the Richmond Area Compassionate Care Pharmacy. In addition, we encourage students to explore the consultant pharmacist career, how it meets the growing demands of the health care system and how rewarding it is to work with the geriatric population.

See our Facebook page for more.

2017-18 Officers:
President: Sarah Mooneyham (mooneyhamss@vcu.edu)
President Elect: Tabby Bruck (bruckt@vcu.edu)
VP of Events: Marriam Nasserjah (nasserjahm@vcu.edu)
VP of Professional Development: Taylor Ferguson (fergusont@vcu.edu)
Treasurer: Christian Avila (avilacc@vcu.edu)
Secretary: Jasmine Alizadeh-Saei (alizadehsaeij@vcu.edu)
Historian: Sydney Prezioso (preziosos@vcu.edu)
P4 Rep: Clarissa Cho (chocu@vcu.edu)
P3 Rep: Christian Hambrick (cdhambrick@vcu.edu)
P2 Rep: Cyrus Moore (moorece4@vcu.edu)
VP of Events Chair: Julianne Hayag (hayagjc@vcu.edu)
INOVA Service Rep: Suria Nabizada (nabizadas@vcu.edu)
Mission and Purpose: The Student National Pharmaceutical Association (SNPhA) was founded in 1972 as student affiliate of the National Pharmaceutical Association. SNPhA is an educational and service association of students who are concerned about pharmacy issues, professional development, and the lack of minority representation in pharmacy and other health-related professions. The purpose of SNPhA is to plan, organize, coordinate, and execute programs geared toward the improvement of the health, educational, educational, and social environment of the community. To attain its purpose and objective, SNPhA develops and coordinates programs in areas directly affecting minority pharmacy students and health care of minority people. SNPhA further pledges to work with other organizations and public agencies in the pursuit of charitable and educational objectives.

2016-17 Officers:
President: (Nicole) Nguyet Nguyen
Vice president: Nooria Razai
Treasurer: Cooma Asonye
Historians: Brittany Howlett and Nadine Nwana
Webmaster: Usman Mahmood
P4 representative: Kalyann Kauv
Chronic kidney disease: Nancy Ho
Power to End Stroke: Josh Thai
Diabetes: Gihun Kim
Immunization: Tiffany Lee
Legislative chair: Precious Dadzie
HIV: Jyness Williams
Una Vida Sana: Frances Beckett-Ansa
CARITAS: Lily Jia
Inova representative: Tuleen Tahran
U.Va. representative: Yvonne Zhang
Advisor: Barbara Exum
Student Pharmacists Policy and Advocacy Association (SPPAA)

Mission and Purpose: Student Pharmacist Policy and Advocacy Association (SPPAA) mission is to foster new perspectives on pharmacy, health care and public health policy issues by facilitating student discussions, policy analysis, and professional advocacy across student organizations.

See our Facebook page for more.

2016-17 Officers:
President: Sachpreet Bajaj
Vice president: Jenna Pham
Secretary: Min Yi Kuang
Treasurer: Kayla Sheets
Historian: Josh Thai
P1 representative: Application opens in Fall
P2 representative: Leighton Thumm
P3 representative: Clare Crosland
P4 representative: Christina Dang
Inova representative: Kiran Kaur
U.Va. representative: Parker Campanella
Mission and Purpose: The Capsule is the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy’s source for student news written and edited by students! We are available online via Facebook and Instagram. Anyone is welcome to join our group, either by “liking” us on Facebook or becoming a contributor. We hope you enjoy our work! Please contact the editor with comments and suggestions or if you are interested in becoming a contributor.

2017-18 Officers:
Editor-in-chief: Sungho Park
Business manager: Winston Ku
Scholarship editor: Frances Beckett-Ansa
Community editor: Stephanie Seto
Advisor: TBA
Mission and Purpose: The SVSHP chapter at the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy is a student chapter of the Virginia Society of Health-System Pharmacists, which is a state chapter of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists. Membership in SVSHP also includes membership to the state and national parent organizations.

VSHP (Virginia Society of Health-System Pharmacists) is the professional society that represents pharmacists who serve patients in Virginia across the continuum of care in integrated health care systems. Components of such systems include acute care, ambulatory care, home care, intermediate care, long-term care, and other components of health-systems.

ASHP (American Society of Health-System Pharmacists) is the 31,000-member national professional association that represents pharmacists who practice in hospitals, health maintenance organizations, long-term care facilities, home care, and other components of health care systems. ASHP’s primary objective is to assist pharmacists in fulfilling their mission to help people make the best use of medications.

Our mission is to advance and support the professional practice of pharmacists in hospitals and health systems and serve as their collective voice on issues related to medication use and public health. Membership is now open, and you can sign up now through our membership form.

See our Facebook page for more.

2017-18 Officers:
President: Brooke Brown
President-elect: Cassie Schmitt
Vice president: Morgan Mabey
Treasurer: Heather Rucker
Secretary: Emily Harmon
Historian: Emily Scott
Webmaster: Sherwyn Tenia
Membership chair: Britanni Collins
Fundraising chair: Danielle Rogers
Shadowing chair: Meghan Gill
Community service co-chairs: Wylie Crane and Danielle Hess
P4 representative: Alyssa Hager
Inova representative: Kiran Kaur
U.Va. representative: Stewart Foster
Advisor: Leigh Anne Gravett