

## Annual Chapter Report Outline

Please complete your Annual Chapter Report and submit to the National Office by May 15.

**Date of report submission:** 2018-05-09

**Name of School/College:** University of Michigan College of Pharmacy

**Chapter Name & region:** Alpha Chapter, Region IV-E

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## Introduction

The University of Michigan Rho Chi chapter is submitting the following summary of our activities throughout the 2017-2018 academic year.

**Meetings** Please provide information on meetings held in the following tabular format

Date	Attendance	Agenda	Action Steps
2017-04-05	10 executive board members	Objective: Transition materials and position roles/responsibilities to the new executive board 1. Introductions 2. Information transition for recurring events/programs (Project PEERS, Shadow Program, Induction Ceremony, additional projects) 3. Individual position transition and explanation of roles	To be determined by the new executive board
2017-06-08	4 executive board members	Objective: 1. Finalize transition 2. Discuss 2017-2018 Rho Chi goals and initiatives 3. Induction ceremony overview 3. Assign project leads for the shadow program, project PEERS, study tips panel and the journal club series 4. Establish precedence for future meetings	1. Update listserv & SOAS 2. Confirm and email new members 3. Determine Induction Ceremony date and location
2017-07-13	5 executive board members and Associate Dean for Student Services	Objective: Discuss 2017-2018 Rho Chi goals and initiatives with administration	1. Consider expanding Project PEERS to P1 Therapeutics 2. Work with Office of Experiential Education to expand list of preceptors for Shadow Program
2017-08-14	4 executive board members & chapter advisor	Objective: 1. Discuss proposed By-Law update 2. Discuss Induction Ceremony details – food, certificates/pins, photographer, guest speaker 3. 1. Discuss plans for Rho Chi presentation at P1 orientation 4. 1. Update on shadow program, project PEERS and journal	1. Finalize Induction Ceremony plans including formal invitations, photographer, guest speaker and certificates/pins 2. Update Rho Chi poster for P1

**Strategic Planning:** What goals were set that relate to the Rho Chi mission?

1. Expand the shadow program with the support of the Dean of Student Affairs to provide additional shadowing opportunities to meet new requirement for 1st, 2nd and 3rd year pharmacy students
2. Continue to restructure and reevaluate the Project PEERS tutoring program to increase student benefit and attendance
3. Expand and enhance previous Journal Club Event into Journal Club Series
4. Increase camaraderie within and beyond the chapter through collaboration within college of pharmacy or with another college of pharmacy

### **Activities**

#### 1. Project PEERS Tutoring Program

This is an intellectual leadership activity in which Rho Chi members provide tutoring – free of charge – to College students. Now members prepare content for a review session hosted prior to P1, P2 and P3 therapeutics exams. The mission of this program is to further the Rho Chi mission by promoting academic excellence within our College. It has been ongoing for 5 years. The program was reformatted last year such that Rho Chi members have material prepared to present to students at review sessions prior to therapeutics exams, rather than relying on the students to generate questions. This has been very successful and we have continued offering tutoring sessions this format, now expanding to provide sessions to P1 students in addition to P2 and P3 students. The number of Rho Chi members participating was 36 and the number of students impacted was 112. On average, 25 students attended each tutoring session, indicating that many students benefitted from multiple sessions. This event did not require funding.

#### 2. Study Tips

This is intellectual leadership activity in which Rho Chi members presented strategies for academic success to P1 students. Presented topics included the best places to study, resources for struggling students, study strategies of Rho Chi members, and prioritization of time. After the presentation, a panel of Rho Chi members took questions from the audience. This event aligns with Rho Chi's mission to foster leadership development among chapter members and to promote intellectual excellence within the College of Pharmacy. It has been ongoing for 3 years. Due to students' schedules, the event was hosted during a lunch session and was directed at P1 students. In the future, we would recommend holding the event at a time when both P1 and P2 students are available. The number of Rho Chi members participating was 6 and the number of students impacted was 52. Funding was provided by the College of Pharmacy in the amount of \$110.67 for refreshments. It did not require funding by Rho Chi.

#### 3. Shadow Program

This is a College of Pharmacy event in which students are matched with volunteer pharmacists working in a career of interest to the student for a subsequent shadow experience. It creates career exploration opportunities for students. It has been ongoing for 4 years. In order to expand and diversify shadowing opportunities we worked with the Dean of Student Services to identify

additional preceptors. Next year we would benefit from continuing to identify opportunities in such as industry, managed care, nontraditional practice and ambulatory care. The number of Rho Chi members participating was 5 and the number of students impacted was 133. The Shadow Program matched 85 students in the fall semester and 81 students in the winter semester, indicating that many students were able to have two unique shadow opportunities during the year. This event did not require funding.

#### 4. Journal Club Series

This is an intellectual leadership activity in which Rho Chi members organized a journal club series led by clinical pharmacists who help students analyze an article's research methods, results, limitations, and applicability to current practice. This stimulates critical inquiry to advance pharmacy by allowing students to practice analyzing literature and conveying their thoughts to other. It also promotes high ethical standards by including a discussion of the ethical concerns of clinical trial. This is the second year for the event. A journal club committee was established this year to facilitate planning as we aimed to expand the journal club series. Two journal clubs were offered each semester on the following topics: Infectious Disease, Pediatrics, Nephrology and Emergency Medicine. The number of Rho Chi members participating was 6 and the number of students impacted was 56. Funding was provided by the College of Pharmacy in the amount of \$196.17 for refreshments. It did not require funding by Rho Chi.

### **Financial Budgeting**

We do not use a formalized system to develop our budget. The only activity that required funds was providing food for a general meeting. Chapter account information is as follows:

Balance forward

-Amount debited \$80.36

-Amount credited \$170

-Balance \$655.66

Member initiation fees

-Amount debited \$1275

-Amount credited \$160

-Balance \$736.02

### **Installation Function**

Our new member initiation was conducted as part of an Induction Ceremony for both the Rho Chi Society and Phi Lambda Sigma, the Pharmacy Leadership Society. The event was held at Zingerman's Greyline on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 6:30 PM. Opening remarks were made by the Dean of the College of Pharmacy, James Dalton, BS, PhD. The keynote speaker was Hae Mi Choe, PharmD, Clinical Associate Professor of the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy. Her inspiring speech emphasized the importance of persistence and innovation and how those traits guided her successful career. Rho Chi faculty adviser Karen Farris, PhD, and Phi Lambda Sigma faculty adviser John Clark, PharmD, MS, facilitated the induction process. The University of Michigan chapter of the Rho Chi Society welcomed 17 students into membership. Rho Chi

certificate recipients, Phi Lambda Sigma honorary members, and new initiates, their families, officers, and faculty advisors of both organizations attended the ceremony.

### **Evaluation/Reflection**

The Project PEERS Tutoring program continued to be well received by students after revamping the program during the 2016-2017 year. Given the success, this year we expanded beyond P2 and P3 therapeutics and began offering the tutoring sessions to P1 students as well. To ease the time commitment Rho Chi certificates and members have the opportunity to volunteer to prepare materials for the exam review, lead the exam review, or assist with both. Project PEERS is moving in the right direction as witnessed by the growing attendance. Next year will continue to build this program and, as possible, recruit session leaders earlier and the schedule sessions at the beginning of the term in order to avoid event conflicts.

The Study Tips event followed last year's format. Despite being unable to include P2 students in addition to P1's as we had initially hoped for, the attendance rate doubled this year compared to the year prior. Next year we will again strive to avoid such conflict, and plan the event at a time when both P1 and P2 students can attend and benefit.

The Shadow Program continued to be a success and assisted in meeting a new college wide shadowing requirement for P1, P2 and P3 students. This was achieved through working with the Dean of Student Services as we were aiming to increase both quantity and variety of preceptor opportunities. Nearly all of the interested students were matched with a shadowing site. In the future, we would like to continue to expand the variety of shadow experiences, trying to recruit more preceptors in non-traditional areas such as nuclear medicine, industry, and managed care.

The Journal Club series is a relatively new activity for our Rho Chi chapter and had a very successful second year. A committee was created to facilitate expansion of this program and assisted in preparation four journal clubs led by clinical pharmacist specialists. The hope is to continue to expand the program next year; offering a few different sessions – but limiting the number of participants per session – in order to reach out to all interested students but helping preserve the small-group feel that makes for the best journal club experience.

Overall, it has been a successful year for our Rho Chi chapter. The Shadow Program continued to successfully match students with shadow experiences in their areas of interest. We were able to reach more students with our Study Tips event this year despite a challenging schedule. Lastly, we made great strides with our new and updated programs: The Journal Club series and Project PEERS. We look forward to seeing how future executive boards shape and advance these programs.

### **Other Information**

We have no further information to submit.

