



American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Preceptor Survey

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Total number of schools: 35
 Total number of responses: 3,660
 Response Rate: 19.7%

Section I: Communication

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
1. I know the process for documenting and addressing student performance.	55.2% (2021)	42.6% (1560)	0.8% (31)	0.3% (11)	1.0% (37)
2. I receive the results from students' evaluations of my rotation.	40.9% (1496)	35.2% (1290)	12.8% (470)	3.9% (144)	7.1% (260)
3. I know how to utilize the process that exists within the college/school to effectively manage academic misconduct (e.g., plagiarism) by students.	32.9% (1204)	49.4% (1809)	11.4% (419)	1.3% (46)	5.0% (182)
4. I know how to utilize the process that exists within the college/school to effectively manage professional misconduct (e.g., repeated tardiness/absences, drug diversion) by students.	35.1% (1283)	49.9% (1826)	9.9% (363)	1.3% (47)	3.9% (141)
5. I know how to utilize college/school policies dealing with harassment and discrimination.	33.8% (1237)	47.5% (1740)	12.4% (453)	1.4% (52)	4.9% (178)
6. I am aware of the mechanism to provide feedback to the college/school.	46.3% (1696)	45.6% (1669)	5.5% (200)	1.1% (40)	1.5% (55)
7. The criteria for evaluating my performance as a preceptor are clear.	38.0% (1390)	44.8% (1640)	11.9% (436)	2.1% (78)	3.2% (116)

Section II: Curriculum

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
8. The specific learning expectations for the student have been clearly defined for my rotation(s).	51.4% (1883)	44.9% (1645)	2.0% (74)	0.2% (9)	1.3% (49)
9. The assessment tools provided to me for my site are suitable for measuring student performance.	44.0% (1611)	48.6% (1780)	4.7% (171)	0.9% (33)	1.8% (65)
10. I know how to use the assessment tools provided to measure student performance.	49.5% (1812)	46.6% (1707)	1.8% (66)	0.3% (11)	1.7% (64)

Domain 1: Foundational Knowledge

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
11. Apply knowledge from the foundational pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences to the provision of patient care.	45.2% (1656)	49.7% (1818)	2.2% (79)	0.4% (14)	2.5% (93)
12. Apply knowledge from the clinical sciences to the provision of patient care.	45.9% (1679)	49.1% (1796)	2.2% (80)	0.5% (17)	2.4% (88)
13. Evaluate scientific literature.	41.3% (1511)	50.7% (1854)	4.1% (150)	1.0% (35)	3.0% (110)

Domain 2: Essentials for Practice

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
14. Provide medication expertise as part of patient-centered care.	47.3% (1732)	47.7% (1744)	2.0% (73)	0.3% (11)	2.7% (100)
15. Optimize the safety and efficacy of medication use systems (e.g., dispensing, administration, effects monitoring) to manage patient healthcare needs.	42.7% (1562)	49.7% (1818)	2.6% (95)	0.3% (11)	4.8% (174)
16. Design strategies to manage chronic disease and improve health and wellness.	44.1% (1615)	49.0% (1793)	2.0% (75)	0.3% (11)	4.5% (166)
17. Assess the health needs of a given patient population.	40.3% (1475)	52.6% (1924)	2.3% (83)	0.3% (10)	4.6% (168)
18. Provide patient-centered care based on evidence-based practices.	45.7% (1671)	48.6% (1777)	2.2% (80)	0.4% (14)	3.2% (118)

Domain 3: Approach to Practice and Care

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
19. Design, implement and evaluate viable solutions to patient care problems.	39.7% (1452)	53.6% (1960)	3.0% (108)	0.3% (11)	3.5% (129)
20. Use effective strategies to educate patients, healthcare professionals and caregivers to improve patient care.	44.4% (1624)	50.7% (1856)	1.6% (57)	0.2% (7)	3.2% (116)
21. Advocate for the patient's best interest.	44.2% (1619)	48.8% (1785)	2.3% (85)	0.2% (8)	4.5% (163)
22. Engage as a member of an interprofessional healthcare team.	47.2% (1727)	47.9% (1753)	1.7% (63)	0.5% (17)	2.7% (100)
23. Identify cultural disparities in healthcare.	35.2% (1289)	50.7% (1854)	4.5% (166)	0.4% (14)	9.2% (337)

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	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
24. Recognize and address cultural disparities in access to and delivery of health care.	34.9% (1277)	50.2% (1839)	4.6% (170)	0.5% (17)	9.8% (357)
25. Effectively communicate (verbal, non-verbal, written) when interacting with individuals, groups and organizations.	42.9% (1569)	52.0% (1902)	2.6% (96)	0.4% (15)	2.1% (78)

Domain 4: Personal and Professional Development

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
26. Examine and reflect on how their behavior and choices affect their personal and professional growth.	39.5% (1446)	51.8% (1896)	4.5% (163)	0.7% (27)	3.5% (128)
27. Accept responsibility for creating and achieving shared goals.	41.1% (1503)	52.2% (1910)	3.2% (117)	0.6% (23)	2.9% (107)
28. Develop new ideas and approaches to practice.	37.7% (1379)	52.5% (1921)	5.1% (185)	0.6% (23)	4.2% (152)
29. Act in a manner consistent with the trust given to pharmacists by patients, other healthcare providers and society.	49.3% (1804)	47.5% (1737)	1.2% (43)	0.4% (14)	1.7% (62)

Section III: Resources/Support

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
30. I have ongoing contact with the Office of Experiential Education.	41.9% (1532)	46.4% (1697)	6.8% (248)	0.9% (34)	4.1% (149)
31. I receive needed support from the Office of Experiential Education.	46.3% (1694)	43.1% (1578)	3.4% (123)	0.6% (22)	6.6% (243)
32. The student-to-preceptor ratios at my site are appropriate to maximize learning.	54.4% (1991)	42.1% (1540)	1.4% (53)	0.5% (17)	1.6% (59)
33. The college/school has an effective continuing professional development program for me that is consistent with my preceptor responsibilities.	43.0% (1574)	45.3% (1657)	5.1% (188)	0.7% (25)	5.9% (216)
34. There are adequate facilities and resources at the practice site to precept students.	48.0% (1755)	45.6% (1668)	4.0% (148)	0.7% (26)	1.7% (63)
35. The college/school provides me with access to library and educational resources.	44.8% (1639)	36.5% (1337)	7.1% (260)	2.4% (87)	9.2% (337)

Question 36 is an open-ended comment question and not included in this report

Section IV: Demographic Questions

37. Number of years as a licensed pharmacist:

	Response Percent	Response Total
1 to 5	14.7%	538
6 to 10	24.8%	908
11 to 15	15.8%	580
More than 15	42.8%	1565
Not a licensed pharmacist	1.9%	69

38. My practice setting is best described as:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Acute care	31.3%	1146
Ambulatory care	15.7%	573
Academia	4.3%	156
Community pharmacy	26.8%	981
General medicine	4.1%	150
Industry	1.0%	37
Managed Care	2.5%	91
Other; please specify:	14.4%	526

39. I precept students in:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Introductory pharmacy practice experiences (Introductory practice experiences occur prior to the final professional year of the curriculum and can include activities such as shadowing, interviewing patients, and service learning).	7.9%	290
Advanced pharmacy practice experiences. (Advanced practice experiences should involve direct patient care and most commonly form the core of the final professional year of the curriculum)	41.7%	1525
Both introductory and advanced pharmacy practice experiences	50.4%	1845

40. Degree/Postgraduate Training (check all that apply):

	Response Percent	Response Total
B.S. Pharm	N/A	883
Pharm.D.	N/A	2975
Master’s; please specify:	N/A	316
Other professional Doctorate (JD, M.D., D.D.S.)	N/A	29
Ph.D.	N/A	84
Residency	N/A	1287
Fellowship	N/A	117
Other; please specify:	N/A	247

41. Number of years serving as a preceptor for this college/school:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Less than 1	8.8%	321
1 to 3	27.8%	1016
4 to 6	22.6%	828
7 to 10	14.3%	525
More than 10	26.5%	970

42. Number of students directly precepted for this college/school over this past academic year.

	Response Percent	Response Total
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Less than 3	47.0%	1720
3 to 5	29.8%	1092
6 to 10	13.3%	486
More than 10	9.9%	362

43. I precept students from _____ college/school(s).

	Response Percent	Response Total
1	42.6%	1560
2	27.0%	987
3	14.7%	538
More than 3	15.7%	575

44(a). How do you describe yourself?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Female	54.3%	1989
Trans Female/Trans Woman	0%	0
Male	38.4%	1406
Trans Male/Trans Man	0%	0
Different Identity; please specify:	0.4%	13
Prefer not to disclose	6.9%	252

44(b). Do you consider yourself to be:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Heterosexual or Straight	85.0%	3111
Gay or Lesbian	1.7%	64
Bisexual	0.4%	14
Not listed above; please specify:	1.0%	36
Prefer not to disclose	11.9%	435