

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

SUBJECT: New graduate degree program in College of Pharmacy

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval to offer a new Master of Pharmacy degree program, College of Pharmacy

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 2024

The College of Pharmacy proposes a new Master of Pharmacy (MPharm) degree program. The purpose of the degree is to grant formal academic recognition by the College of Pharmacy to students who successfully complete and demonstrate competency in the first two years of the doctor of pharmacy (PharmD) curriculum but are unable to complete the requirements for a PharmD degree due to personal or administrative reasons.

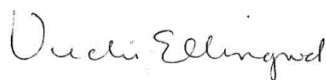
The MPharm degree would acknowledge a student's demonstrated competence with the basic pharmaceutical science knowledge acquired during the first two years of PharmD enrollment. Formal recognition of their education and academic achievement may be useful for future educational or employment purposes.

An eligible student may be considered for the MPharm degree any time after completion of the first two years of the PharmD program prior to graduation with a PharmD degree. Once approved, the College of Pharmacy will consider only those students enrolled during the 2023-2024 academic year and beyond. It is anticipated that the degree would be awarded to one student who disenrolled in December 2023.

No individual will be granted admission to the College of Pharmacy with the sole intent of obtaining the MPharm degree. In addition, the degree would not be awarded to any student who received the PharmD degree.

The proposed degree received approval by the College of Pharmacy's faculty and Executive Committee in December 2023. We request that the Regents approve the new graduate degree, Master of Pharmacy. The program will be implemented upon approval from the Michigan Association of State Universities, pending Board of Regents approval.

RECOMMENDED BY:



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