

**University of South Carolina, College of Pharmacy**  
**Key Accomplishments of the College 2023-2024**

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 1: Re-establish and advance the college's brand, increase awareness and promote the college's differential advantage.**

Key accomplishments:

- New educational outcomes were created for the college's Doctor of Pharmacy degree program aligning with the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Curricular Outcomes and Entrustable Professional Activities 2022, approved by the college's curriculum committee, and subsequently approved by the college's faculty following the May 2023 faculty meeting.
- The college's curriculum committee has been notified that they will be formally charged with identifying a curricular framework during academic year 2024-2025 that will be subsequently used as a guide for their committee and the college's faculty in moving curricular revision forward.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 2: Establish partnerships, collaborations and strategic alliances to advance the college's teaching, service and research mission.**

Key accomplishments:

- PHAR 402 Gamecock Pharmacy Assurance to PharmD Bridge Course I and PHAR 403 Gamecock Pharmacy Assurance to PharmD Bridge Course II submitted to the university's Faculty Senate Committee on Curricula & Courses, approved by the committee and subsequently approved by Faculty Senate in September 2023.
- A partnership has been established between the college and Zhejiang University, China for two summer programs. These allow undergraduate students research experience and opportunities for cultural interaction and discovery of the region's innovative potential.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 3: Drive the acquisition of self-generated revenue.**

Key accomplishments

- Research incentive plan developed as a collaborative effort between the department chairs, associate dean for research, and dean. Stakeholder input solicited in fall 2023. Plan provided to faculty ahead of January 2024 faculty meeting. Assessment will be conducted to gauge impact by January 2026.
- The college reports a total of \$14,845,018 in combined NIH and other federal funding for federal fiscal year 2023 and other funding (state agencies, contracts, etc.) of \$2,680,489. This is almost triple from 2016

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 4: Ensure the college has sufficient current and future research laboratory space and infrastructure to support the long-term research agenda, mission and accreditation.**

Key accomplishments

- Renovations currently proceeding under the direction of Derek Gruner with an anticipated completion timeframe of Summer 2024.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 5: Renew and invest-to-build the college's focus on pharmacy administration (e.g., outcome science, business administration, health policy, and pharmacoeconomics).**

Key accomplishments

- Dr. Gene Reeder provides oversight of the college's Pharmaceutical Administration concentration of the college's M.S., Pharmaceutical Sciences and Ph.D., Pharmaceutical Sciences programs in conjunction with the college's graduate program director, Dr. Douglas Pittman.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 6: Maximize professional development opportunities and operational efficiencies for faculty and staff.**

Key accomplishments

- Email communication sent to faculty and staff on March 29, 2023 notifying them of the scheduled ACPE site visit and assignments for the ad hoc self-study committee. A faculty retreat was held on May 15, 2023 culminating in a self-study kick-off which included an orientation to the self-study process, a review of ad hoc self-study Committee charges and timeline, as well as an open forum for questions. Self-study writers submitted initial drafts of each standards' report by December 2023. Internal reviewers are currently assessing the drafts in preparation for a May 2024 faculty retreat.
- Dean Cutler led the solicitation of an annual budget to support the intercollegiate interprofessional education effort currently ongoing at the university from Dr. Betsy Blake (College of Pharmacy faculty member) who currently works to lead these efforts. Work is ongoing among the health sciences deans to determine a plan for ongoing support of this important program.

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**Goals 2024-2025 and Beyond**

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 1: Re-establish and advance the college's brand, increase awareness and promote the college's differential advantage.**

By December 2024, establish a new curricular track within the Doctor of Pharmacy program focused on independent pharmacy ownership and practice.

By May 2025, produce a draft curriculum for a new B.S., Pharmaceutical Sciences program and create a strategy for requesting substantive change to the current program to rename it B.S., Pharmacy.

By August 2024, charge the college's curriculum committee to identify a framework during academic year 2024-2025 that will subsequently be used by the committee and college faculty to create an updated Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 2: Establish partnerships, collaborations and strategic alliances to advance the college's teaching, service and research mission.**

By December 2024, assess the success of the college's partnership with Zhejiang University, China in advancing the college's educational or research missions and determine any modifications needed and/or opportunities for growth in the program for Summer 2025.

By April 2025, successfully deliver two 8-week offerings of PHAR 402 Gamecock Pharmacy Assurance to PharmD Bridge Course I and two 8-week offerings of PHAR 403 Gamecock Pharmacy Assurance to PharmD Bridge Course II to sophomore Gamecock Pharmacy Assurance pathway students.

By April 2025, recruit and admit a sufficient number of qualified students to receive seat deposits from 110 presumed matriculants to the Doctor of Pharmacy program in August 2025.

By April 2025, recruit and admit a sufficient number of qualified students to receive commitments from 80 presumed matriculants to the Gamecock Pharmacy Assurance pathway class of 2031.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 3: Drive the acquisition of self-generated revenue.**

By June 2025, assuming an increase in extramural funding, achieve a commensurate increase in graduate student enrollment.

By August 2024, realize an increase over Fiscal Year 2023 in the cumulative number of faculty publications, patents, books, editorial boards, grant review panels, invited seminars, and submitted grants.

By August 2024, realize an increase over Fiscal Year 2023 in the total dollar amount funded by contracts and grants.

By January 2026, evaluate the college's research incentive plan to determine the impact of this plan on the acquisition of self-generated revenue.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 4: Ensure the college has sufficient current and future research laboratory space and infrastructure to support the long-term research agenda, mission and accreditation.**

By August 2025, complete renovations to Sumwalt 355-359 and develop a plan for use of this space to increase self-generated revenue.

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE 6: Maximize professional development opportunities and operational efficiencies for faculty and staff.**

By December 2024, secure a commitment from the university, including health sciences deans, to provide ongoing support for the university's interprofessional education program.

By January 2025, submit a quality self-study report to the Accreditation Council on Pharmacy Education ahead of the college's next scheduled site visit in March 2025.