The University of California, San Diego (UCSD) Medical Center Department of Pharmacy and the UCSD Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences offers a one-year specialty residency in psychiatric pharmacy practice beginning mid-July, 2013.

**Scope**

UCSD Medical Center consists of two acute care hospitals and associated outpatient clinics. The Medical Center is affiliated with the UCSD School of Medicine and the UCSD Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. The Department of Pharmacy provides clinical services at two hospitals and 5 outpatient pharmacies with specialty services including critical care, trauma, burn, internal medicine, surgery, cardiology, oncology, solid organ and bone marrow transplantation, infectious diseases, HIV/AIDS and neonatal ICU.

This specialty residency balances direct patient care, research, and teaching opportunities and is tailored to the individual. Primary service responsibilities include rounding with the interdisciplinary team (inpatient experiences) to design, recommend, monitor, and evaluate patient-specific therapeutic regimens that incorporate the principles of evidence-based medicine. The resident will gain experience in the adult, geriatric, child and adolescent psychiatry, chemical/substance dependence, forensic psychiatry and neurology units. The resident will also gain ambulatory care experiences in psychiatry and neurology. A broad range of electives are available for the resident to select from. Teaching activities include didactic and experiential opportunities such as leading therapeutic conferences for fourth year pharmacy students, clerkship preceptorship of first-year pharmacy practice residents and fourth-year UC San Diego students. The ability to work independently and to supervise pharmacy students and residents will be emphasized. The resident will also be involved in a research project. Scientific writing is strongly emphasized and the preparation and submission of a manuscript will be expected.

**Number of residency positions available:** 1

**Salary and Benefits:** The annual stipend is currently $46,000. Benefits include medical, dental, and vision insurance. In addition, vacation, sick and professional leave are provided.

**Requirements:** An on-site interview is required and will be held during late January through early March. This specialty residency program participates in the ASHP Resident Matching Program. **All applicants must be enrolled in the Resident Matching Program.** To facilitate this enrollment process and for further information, please visit the following website: [www.natmatch.com/ashprmp](http://www.natmatch.com/ashprmp)

If matched with the UCSD Residency Program, matched candidates **must have** all of the following:

1. Graduated from an accredited school of pharmacy with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree
2. Successfully completed a PGY1 pharmacy practice residency
3. Obtained California pharmacy licensure **prior** to beginning residency  
   (absolute deadline = October 1, 2013)

**Application:**

Applications for the 2013-2014 year will be accepted beginning December 1, 2012. Deadline for application is January 4, 2013. Application forms can be downloaded from our Web link:
APPLICATION FOR PGY2 PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACY RESIDENCY – 2013-2014
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO SKAGGS SCHOOL OF PHARMACY &
PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO - MEDICAL CENTER

Instructions:

1. Complete the UCSD Medical Center Pharmacy Residency Application Form.

2. Provide a letter of intent

3. Submit current Curriculum Vitae with all experiential completed and anticipated rotations as well as pharmacy work experience.

4. Submit a photo picture (passport size) of yourself along with your full name printed clearly in pen on the back.

   NOTE: Photo will be used for Candidate ID purposes and will likely be reproduced.

The following must be provided separately (sent directly to the address below by the school of pharmacy and individual evaluators):

- Official academic transcript (pharmacy school only)

- Three Letters of recommendations are required. It is recommended that at least 2 of the letters be from preceptors or supervisors who can directly comment on your clinical and practice skills.

   Note: Please have letter writers complete the ASHP Recommendation Form included in this application along with a Letter of Recommendation.

Application deadline: Friday, January 4, 2013.

Submit your application packet and all supporting documents to:

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### PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Residency Requirements for Completion/Graduation

- Successful completion of all core rotations (all rotation goals marked SP or ACH by the final evaluation)
- \(\geq 75\%\) of RLS goals marked "Achieved for the Residency" by the end of the year (as evaluated by individual rotation preceptors or by the RPD upon final review of the resident’s progress)
- Twelve months maximum is allotted to successfully complete the core requirements. If a core rotation must be repeated, then elective time shall be used. If the above requirements are not met in full, the residency certificate may be withheld at the discretion of the residency director

### Program Overview

- **Orientation/training/research:**  1 week
- **Core rotations:**  Adult Psychiatry (6 weeks), Geropsychiatry (4 weeks), Ambulatory Care (6 weeks), Chemical Dependency/Substance Abuse (6 weeks), Child & Adolescent Psychiatry (6 weeks), Forensic Psychiatry (6 weeks), Neurology (6 weeks)
- **Electives:**  Palliative Care, Consult Liaison Psych Service, Long-Term Care/Nursing Home (may also repeat any other Core rotations) (6 weeks each)
- **Staffing:**  12 weekends throughout the year (~1 shift/month) including 1 major and 1 minor holiday
- **Research project and publication**

The PGY2 resident will gain the skills to function as a psychiatric pharmacist during the required and elective rotations. Primary service responsibilities include rounding with the interdisciplinary team (inpatient experiences) to design, recommend, monitor, and evaluate patient-specific therapeutic regimens that incorporate the principles of evidence-based medicine. The resident will also learn skills needed to function within a multidisciplinary mental health treatment team. Daily activities will include: participating in treatment rounds, reviewing each patient’s profile for appropriateness of drug therapy, providing provider, nursing and patient education, validating pharmacy orders on patients, and overseeing and directing PGY1 resident and pharmacy student activities. This integration of staffing and clinical services prepares the resident for any type of practice environment they may encounter in their future jobs by emphasizing the development of essential skills required for an advanced pharmacy practitioner: independent practice skills, multi-tasking and prioritization. During ambulatory care experiences, the resident will learn to integrate psychopharmacology knowledge in the care of specialty clinic patient populations.

### Elective Experiences

The resident will be provided with two six-week elective rotations during the residency year. The other electives can be selected from the list below (additional rotations may be available). Elective rotations will generally be scheduled in the second half of the residency year and may be repeated if the resident desires additional experience.
**Staffing**

Staffing will be incorporated into the residency experience with weekend shifts that provide the opportunity for PGY2 resident to cover the psychiatric units at UCSD Medical Center in Hillcrest. The PGY2 resident will be invited to staff 12 weekends (which includes 1 minor holiday weekend AND 1 major holiday [Thanksgiving, Christmas, or New Year’s]). The resident will get 13 paid days for holidays and 12 sick days for the academic year. Vacation time will be in accordance with GME rules and will be defined as 20 days of vacation PLUS 5 days for professional leave to attend meetings or conferences.

**Research**

The resident will be responsible for conducting 1 research project throughout the academic year that will be presented at the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists (CPNP) Annual Meeting. The resident may be asked to present the research project at an equivalent conference as appropriate. The resident is expected to submit the research findings to a peer-reviewed journal for publication. A list of project ideas will be generated from the preceptors and resident is expected to select a project during the first month of the residency year.

**Publication**

The resident will be required to write a manuscript suitable for publication by the end of the residency year. The purpose of this requirement will be the development of scientific writing and communication skills. The types of publishable literature can include any of the following types of manuscripts:

- Case reports with a review of the literature
- Primary research /original research
- Medication Use Evaluation
- Meta-analysis of a disease state or therapy
- Review article

**Professional Meetings**

The resident will have the opportunity to attend various professional meetings throughout the year. Resident receives an annual travel stipend that is variable based on available funding. The resident will receive a set stipend for the year which can be used at his/her discretion for registration, travel, accommodations, etc. The cost of attending the CPNP Annual Meeting (or an equivalent conference) will be deducted from the travel stipend, along with any other conferences the resident chooses to attend. Attendance at CPNP Annual Meeting (or an equivalent conference to present their research) is mandatory.

**Presentations/Teaching**

The resident will have the opportunity to give many educational lectures to their colleagues throughout the residency year.
Grand Rounds: The resident will deliver a 1-hour CE lecture to the pharmacy staff regarding a topic in psychiatry. Allied health professionals are welcome to attend. Presentations are accredited for continuing education through California Accreditation for Pharmacy Education (CAPE).

Psychiatry Clinical Forums: The resident is required to present 3 “mini” grand rounds and 3 journal club presentations during the year at our Psychiatry Clinical Forum. The mini grand rounds are 20-minute lectures on various didactic topics related to the ASHP supplemental standard for an Advanced Practice Residency in Psychiatry and will be relevant to the patient population the resident is currently involved with from a rotational perspective. The objective of journal club will be to select and critically review a recently published journal article related to psychiatry/neurology.

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Teaching is a large component of our program. The PGY2 resident will have many opportunities to precept/teach and their training will include learning how to incorporate teaching into their clinical responsibilities. UC San Diego is a teaching institution affiliated with UCSD Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (SSPPS) and UCSD School of Medicine. The PGY2 psychiatry resident will be a conference facilitator for 3rd year pharmacy students at UCSD SSPPS for the Therapeutics Course (Psychiatry/Neurology Modules). The resident will be required to participate in weekly preconferences and serve as a facilitator for a group of students. The resident will create patient case and SOAP keys for teaching purposes and may assist with creating/grading oral and written exams. The resident will also be given opportunities to provide didactic lectures within the course. The PGY2 resident will also have multiple opportunities to precept 4th year SSPPS pharmacy students and PGY1 pharmacy practice residents, as well as to work with UCSD physician interns, residents and fellows on most, if not all, rotations. In addition, the resident will be asked to give many educational lectures to their colleagues throughout their residency year.