IPPE-Institutional Practice

Second-year and third-year IPPE students will be assigned to both community (IPPE-Community) and institutional (IPPE-Institutional) sites. Students will complete 120 hours of rotation at each site. In most cases, students will complete one rotation during their second year and one during their third year. There will be some exceptions to this depending on availability of sites.

Goals:
- To allow the student the opportunity to observe health care professionals applying pharmacy knowledge in a pharmacy setting.
- To allow the student to participate in the daily activities of a hospital or institutional pharmacy practice setting.
- To allow the students to apply basic knowledge to real world settings under the guidance of a preceptor.
- To prepare the student for APPE (Advance Pharmacy Practice Experiences).

Objectives:

Hospital Pharmacy Environment
- Act in a professional manner, demonstrating concern for patient welfare and right to patient privacy.
- Describe hospital pharmacy patient care settings.
- Observe the differences in health care provider roles in the hospital setting.
- Explain how pharmacists interact with other health care providers.
- Describe cultural, economic and social differences in relation to provision of care in a hospital pharmacy.

Medication Order Preparation
- Obtain relevant information from patient, caregivers or patient records.
- Fill, label, and dispense medications accurately and efficiently.
- Prepare simple IV solutions using proper technique, measuring and reconstitution of the drug product.
- Establish and maintain pharmacy records by accurately documenting pertinent information.
- Review laws and policies for dispensing controlled substances.

Drug Information
- Utilize drug information retrieval skills in the hospital setting.
- Summarize the pharmacy department’s responsibility in discharging patients from the institution.

Hospital Pharmacy Management
- List the responsibilities of the pharmacist in providing care to patients in the hospital setting.
- Describe procedures of inventory control.
- Participate and contribute to discussions with pharmacists and other health care providers.