

UBC Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences
UBC First Professional Degree in Pharmacy

Task Force

Terms of Reference

Mandate:

To develop and implement a new pharmacy First Professional Degree program (FPD) at UBC to commence in September 2016. This program will fulfill all the criteria to be called a professional doctoral (PharmD) degree.

Reports to the Associate Dean Academic, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Membership:

The Task Force will consist of:

Chair(s): Co-Chairs will be the Director, PharmD Programs and the Director of Continuing Pharmacy Professional Development. The Director Entry to Practice Program will be an, ex-officio (non-voting) member. The Chair(s) will be voting members.

Members: A minimum of 12 faculty/staff/student/practitioner members with broad representation across the Faculty, PhUS (1 member), and pharmacy practitioners from community and hospital practice. Additional members can be invited to participate at the discretion of the Chair(s).

In general, decisions will be made through consensus. In a situation where consensus cannot be attained, a vote will be undertaken, with a simple majority required. Two-thirds of voting members will constitute a quorum. Task Force members may vote on motions in person, via teleconference, videoconference, or email.

Other stakeholders such as recent graduates, adjunct Faculty, practitioners and stakeholders, etc. may be invited as consultants as needed.

Meeting Frequency/Minutes:

Task Force meetings will take place at the call of the Chair(s), a minimum of 6 times per calendar year. Administrative support will be provided through the office of the Dean.

The Task Force is responsible for:

- Development and initiation of a First Professional Degree program that will prepare pharmacists as medication therapy experts who care about improving their patients' health, who are competent to practice pharmacy to the full scope and adapt as this expands, and who are equipped to lead in reshaping the profession
- Creation of a program that will meet CCAPP & AFPC Standards for First Professional Degree in Pharmacy Programs and fulfill entry-to-practice licensure requirements in BC.
- Coordination of the activities of the Working Groups
- Liaising with the Director of the current Entry to Practice Program such that recommended elements of the current Entry to Practice Pharmacy curriculum which can transition into the proposed new First Professional Degree Program are identified and facilitated.
- Supervising an environmental scan of current First Professional Degree Programs to inform the process

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- Approval of a Communications Strategy to ensure that stakeholders are informed of the process moving forward
- Considering input from Working Groups, approval of:
 - The Cognitive Model underpinning the proposed curriculum
 - Specific elements of the curriculum including:
 - Definition of the Foundations of Pharmacy Practice to be included
 - Definition of Levels & Ranges for Competencies within the program
 - The program Pharmacotherapy/MTM Pedagogy Model
 - Creation of the Course Structure
 - Development of experiential rotation Capacity
 - Development of the Experiential Model & Mix
 - Incorporation of methods of IPE Opportunities into the proposed program
 - A Program Evaluation Plan
 - A Recruitment/Promotion Strategy
 - Requirements for Program entry
- Ideas and recommendations generated by Working Groups or consultants and approved by the Task Force should be rooted from AFPC Outcomes document, The Blueprint for Pharmacy, CSHP
- Reviewing Terms of Reference annually.
- Communicating the work of the Task Force through appropriate mechanisms
- Other tasks and projects related to the creation of the Program as they are identified