The College of Pharmacy has made it possible for a limited number of third year Pharm.D. students to complete a portion of their didactic coursework on the Corvallis campus. The College believes that completing the P3 professional year on the Portland campus with the full cohort of students is the preferred educational setting, but the Corvallis campus option is made available to accommodate students for whom moving to Portland or a daily commute to Portland would incur an unusual hardship.

Students allowed to use this option will still be required to travel to Portland for labs and other activities required by faculty. Student performance is assessed in a manner identical to that used for Portland-based students. A quarterly Distance Education fee will also be assessed to each participating student.

The College would like to accommodate all interested students, but space is limited. Interested Pharm.D. students must apply and be admitted to the distance education program. Documentation will be required to support your application. Applications will be reviewed by the Academic and Professional Standards committee. The committee will first evaluate whether there are reasons, which the committee believes, an individual student would not be expected to be successful using the distance education option. The committee will fill the available spaces beginning with applications that accurately convey the most compelling justification.

Initial evaluation of whether applicants are appropriate candidates will include:

- Academic Performance and Academic Standing
- Fulfillment of non-academic ‘Essential Characteristics of a Student Pharmacist’

The following are examples of reasons that may provide compelling justification for admission to the distance program:

- Primary Care-giver
- Unusual economic hardship
- Personal disability

Application to the distance education program should made using the standard petition process found online. Your application should: 1) provide clear justification as to specific circumstances that make the Corvallis-based option desirable or necessary, 2) indicate why you believe a Corvallis-based option will allow you to be more successful academically, and 3) Confirm your understanding that some activities will still require you to be present on the Portland campus and that you will be evaluated identically to Portland-based students.

Applications are due March 15. Decisions will be determined by April 1 but will be reviewed again following completion of spring term. Please contact Angela Austin (angela.austin@oregonstate.edu) with any questions.