



## ACADEMY CHARTER

**NAME** Student Pharmacist Academy

**PURPOSE** The purpose of the Student Pharmacist Academy is to:

1. Support KPhA in its mission to the *promote and advance quality and rational public health, with particular reference to assuring optimal pharmacotherapy for the citizens of Kansas* (KPhA Bylaws, Article III Section 2).
2. Represent the interest of student pharmacists in supporting their education to become practicing pharmacists with the KPhA Board of Directors.
3. Raise funds to aid in student participation in the Annual KPhA Meeting through its dues system.

### **GOALS**

- A. To enhance student involvement in all practice areas and to help facilitate all students in understanding all of the broad practice areas in pharmacy in the state of Kansas.
  - a. Community / Independent
  - b. Retail / Chain
  - c. Healthcare systems

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Membership shall be granted to all student pharmacists who are current students at a Kansas accredited school of pharmacy, in good standing, of the Kansas Pharmacists Association.

All student pharmacists who become a member of the Kansas Pharmacists Association will be placed in the Student Pharmacist Academy as their primary academy and will be responsible for paying dues to this academy only in addition to KPhA dues. These student pharmacists are eligible to participate in any other academy as a secondary academy, but will only be required to pay dues for the Student Pharmacist Academy of KPhA. The other academies are outline in the KPhA Bylaws or online at [www.ksrx.org](http://www.ksrx.org).

Application for membership shall be indicated on the standard student organization application or annual renewal form submitted to KPhA. Such student organizations would be APhA-ASP, NCPA & SSHP. Students will pay dues through one of the three previous student organizations listed. It will be the responsibility of the said student organization to send the KPhA dues and the Student Pharmacist Academy dues to the Kansas Pharmacists Association within 30 days of their membership deadlines.

Academy membership shall be valid for one school year ranging from the Fall semester through the end of the following Summer semester. Membership renewals will be completed each fall semester by the student organizations listed above.

### **DUES**

Academy dues will be \$5 per academic year in addition to the KPhA dues set for student pharmacists membership. This money will be exclusively used to aid in travel funds for students attending the KPhA Annual Meeting and Exposition. Current KPhA dues for student pharmacists are \$5, so student

pharmacists would be required to pay \$10 total: \$5 for KPhA dues and \$5 for Student Pharmacists Academy dues.

Dues will be collected at the beginning of the fall semester each year with KPhA annual membership fees starting the fall of 2010. These dues will be collected by the student organizations listed above in addition to their annual membership fees.

### **ACADEMY LEADERSHIP**

One Academy Chair will be elected to represent the academy as the Chair on the KPhA Board of Trustees, and one Vice-Chair will be elected to fill in when the Academy Chair is absent. A simple majority of votes shall constitute election. In the event of a tie, a re-vote will be conducted between the two candidates who tied for the position.

Elections will be done by all student pharmacists at any Kansas accredited School of Pharmacy prior to the KPhA Annual Meeting and Exposition or immediately following the start of the fall semester.

To be eligible for this position, the student pharmacist must be a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> year pharmacy student, not on academic probation as deemed by the said student's school of pharmacy.

The student pharmacist must currently be a president or president elect of APhA-ASP, NCPA or SSHP to be eligible.

Each year the potential six eligible student pharmacists will be contacted by the outgoing Chair of the Student Pharmacist Academy to request their permission to have their names on the ballot. Elections will be held by either electronic ballot or paper ballot and all votes will be counted by both the Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Student Pharmacist Academy to ensure accuracy of the count.

The academy Chair and Vice-Chair will be elected to a one year term, in accordance with KPhA bylaws.

### **VACANCIES**

*Vacancies will be filled by the vice-chair of the Student Pharmacist academy as described above.*

### **CHANGES TO ACADEMY CHARTER**

*At the end of each spring semester the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Student Pharmacist Academy will review the academy charter and ask for feedback from the academy members via an electronic survey. If they deem changes are necessary, they will make these changes and present them to the KPhA Board of Directors for approval. There will be no formal voting process for the academy to amend the charter at this time.*