The College of Pharmacy at the University of New England is proud of our professional program in pharmacy that graduates practitioners who are not only capable of providing state-of-the-art patient-centered care, but are able to do so in conjunction with colleagues in other health professions.

Our College takes great pride in the individualized attention afforded to each student. We believe the care we show toward them will be reflected in the care they ultimately provide their patients. We are a college that celebrates what each individual contributes to our community; we believe this diversity better prepares our graduates to practice in a nation of ever-increasing diversity.

I invite you to learn more about our pharmacy program and the exceptional individuals that make up the UNE Pharmacy community.

Robert L. McCarthy, Ph.D, FAPhA
Dean and Professor, College of Pharmacy
Welcome from Dean McCarthy

Our College

Rachel Naida, PharmD ’13, CDE
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Our Story

Nicholas Cotoia
PharmD Candidate ’21

Negeri Clarke
PharmD Candidate ’20
Our College

In 2009, we laid the cornerstone of our building and opened our doors to a diverse community of educators, health professionals, scholars and learners dedicated to the profession of pharmacy. Our outstanding faculty and staff have created an inclusive, innovative environment where we mentor and train graduates and undergraduates in the practice of pharmacy. This is our blueprint for success.
Rachel Naida, PharmD ‘13, CDE
Clinical Assistant Professor, InterMed

I define success as the ability to empower a patient or student.

I am a huge proponent of self-care and thus preventative health. Eating well, being physically active and taking care of our minds and emotional wellbeing.

It has been a wonderful transformation to have once learned in the classroom from these faculty, now having them as my mentors. I am incredibly blessed to have the support I do at the College of Pharmacy.
Cassidy Coyne
PharmD Candidate ’22

The College of Pharmacy has provided a strong sense of family within our close knit community. This area of study allows you to individually find your passion. Where I see myself being a champion is in patient interactions. I want to provide an environment where my patients feel comfortable and valued.

The reward of helping patients goes further than just our offices. You are not only helping your patients, you are helping someone’s loved one, grandfather, mother, sibling, or maybe even the closest thing to a family member.
Olgun Guvench, MD, PhD
Chair, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences

I enjoy the science behind pharmacy and am excited to see scientific advances that lead to treatments that provide new hope for patients.

Every time I teach, I am reminded of my responsibility to help cultivate a caring attitude for students to carry forward into their community pharmacies, their clinics, and their hospitals.

A mother of a student from Texas approached me at a White Coat Ceremony and confided that she had been nervous about her daughter being so far away from home but after meeting our staff and faculty that day, she knew her daughter would be in very good hands.
Tom Lanucha, RPh
_PRECEPTOR, PHARMACIST, WALMART_

Pharmacists are readily accessible to the public and are the initial contact many individuals have to the care process. I take this responsibility seriously.

Caring provides a basis for connection and communication.

Treat others as you would expect to be treated. Communicate, listen, observe, solve the problem, educate and be empathetic.

Every day I learn and experience something new.
Our Community

We are educators and clinicians who work collaboratively with health care professionals to train our students in a medical team environment with the goal of providing the highest quality healthcare for our patients.

We are scholars and scientists, creating and sharing knowledge and expertise in our laboratories and classrooms.

We are advocates in our communities, champions for the profession at the legislative level, and leaders in national professional organizations.

We collaborate globally to provide international perspective and training opportunities for our students and faculty in Spain, Thailand, Japan, and beyond.
Joe Bruno, RPh, MBA
Adjunct Faculty

Compassion and empathy form relationships with patients.

Pharmacists are the most accessible health care provider anywhere in this country. They do more than just dispensing medication. They will be recognized as drug experts.

I was involved with the first discussions about a College of Pharmacy in the mid-90s. It was wonderful to see it come to fruition over the next decade. It has been a very gratifying experience being involved with the College.
Pauline Dombrowik
Office Manager Continuing Education

The healing process always begins with caring.

My daughter, Ashley, designed the White Coat patch for the inaugural Class of 2013; I will forever have a connection to the College of Pharmacy.

Success is a continuous journey of hard work and determination.

Staff, faculty, and administrators alike are dedicated to our COP community, especially to our students’ achievements.
Our Story

In our integrated curriculum, faculty work with students in small group settings. Our combined classroom and hands-on educational experiences focus on inter-professional opportunities, preparing our students to be practice-ready upon graduation.

UNE College of Pharmacy faculty and students have changed the practice of pharmacy in Maine and our graduates are prepared to serve as leaders in changing future practice of pharmacy in the nation.

We are a college and community dedicated to helping you build your future.
Nicholas Cotoia
PharmD Candidate ’21

Caring is about having empathy for your patients and always putting the patient’s outcomes first.

My mentors are the professors who inspire me to try my best to excel in the role of a clinical pharmacist.

I’m excited to work with patients and teach as many as possible about their medications and how to live a healthier lifestyle.
Negeri Clarke  
PharmD Candidate ‘20

Caring is at the root of the very concept of health care; it is the foundation. Pharmacists are the soft spot between patient, medication, and physician.

I knew that the University of New England College of Pharmacy would be where I would learn that I have a greater purpose than myself.

Success is being healthy in my mind, spirit, and body, and working in an environment with people who reflect that.
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