APPLICATION MATERIALS

- Completed PhORCAS application
- Official Pharmacy School Transcript
- Letter of Intent
- Curriculum Vitae
- 3 Professional Letters of Recommendation

Applications are due by the 1st Friday in January

For further information or questions, please feel free to contact:

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ABOUT THE TUSCALOOSA VAMC
The Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center (TVAMC) is located on a beautiful 125 acre campus in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. TVAMC primarily serves West Central Alabama, where 12 out of the 13 counties are considered rural. TVAMC provides primary care, long-term care, mental health, and rehabilitative care services to eligible Veterans. The Outpatient Pharmacy serves 16,000+ Veterans each year. Clinical Pharmacy Specialists are extensively involved in the Primary Care Clinics, Outpatient Psychiatry Clinics, Residential Rehabilitation (psych), Geriatrics (long-term care and home-based primary care), and Acute Psychiatry.

ABOUT OUR RESIDENCY
This PGY1 residency is a 12 month program designed to develop the resident’s skills and competency in providing patient-centered care as part of an interdisciplinary team with a focus in primary care, mental health, and geriatrics. Our preceptors are considered experts in their areas, having completed residencies and board certifications and/or having many years of experience. We are excited to provide unique learning opportunities with preceptors who are dedicated to advancing the field of pharmacy.

RESIDENCY GOALS
Pharmacists completing this residency will:
• Be competent and confident practitioners of pharmaceutical care in the areas of primary care, mental health, and long-term care.
• Be accountable for enhancing drug therapy outcomes and improving medication safety as a member of the health care team.
• Exercise skills in educating healthcare professionals, patients, and the community on drug related topics
• Develop a professional practice encompassing TVAMC’s core values of providing excellence in healthcare, research, technology, and education.
• Display a commitment to the profession of pharmacy, desire for continued professional growth, and exercise leadership to achieve departmental goals.

Possess skills which will enable them to pursue a variety of career interests requiring pharmacological expertise.

LEARNING EXPERIENCES

REQUIRED CORE:
• Primary Care
• Mental Health (Acute or Outpatient)
• Geriatrics
• Pharmacy Operations

ELECTIVES:
• Home Based Primary Care
• Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (Psych)
• Outpatient Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder
• Acute Mental Health
• Pain Management
• Teaching Certificate offered through Samford University (Longitudinal)
• May repeat a required rotation for more intensive experience

REQUIRED LONGITUDINAL:
• Centralized Anticoagulation Clinic
• Pharmacy Management
• Inpatient/Outpatient Pharmacy Staffing
• Research Project
• Presentations