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## A Taste of Rural Life

Four CU Pharmacy students were among 17 others that recently spent time in Delta County, Colorado as part of the University of Colorado's Interdisciplinary Rural Immersion Program. The pharmacy students that went were Hailee Griffin, Stephanie Early, Kelly Koon and Trang Nguyen. The program allows students the opportunity to learn about all aspects of a small town and get a feel for what it's like to live and work in a rural community. [Full story in the Delta County Independent.](#)



## Commencement Photos

Congratulations to the Class of 2018 and we hope all our graduates are enjoying their summer. [All of the photos taken on graduation day are on our blog](#), feel free to download your favorites!



## Residency and Fellowship Grads

Congratulations to all the 2018 residency and fellowship graduates! **Congratulations also to CU Pharmacy faculty member Sarah Scoular, PharmD**, she was chosen as Preceptor of the Year for the PGY1 Residency Program! [Photos and full list of graduates on our blog.](#)



## CU Pharmacy at HOSA

Several of our faculty members, students and staff attended the HOSA International Leadership Conference last week in Dallas, Texas. We introduced pharmacy to 10,000 plus high school students, interested in health professions, at our exhibit booth and through presentations from student ambassadors Nedra Chijioke, Armen Fstkhian, Ryan Sutherland, and Mary Reilly and faculty members Jacci Bainbridge, PharmD, and Morgan Payne, PharmD.

## Visit from Congresswoman Diana DeGette

Congresswoman Diana DeGette recently visited Denver Indian Health and Family Services to discuss the 340B drug program and diabetes services offered by clinical pharmacists. She met with CU Pharmacy faculty members Connie Valdez, PharmD, and Leah Fitzgerald, PharmD, pharmacy students Ken Matsumoto and Rebecca Orwig.



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## What's Up, DOPS?

- A recent fellow of faculty member Rajesh Agarwal's lab had her study on **Nintedanib inhibiting the growth of human prostate carcinoma cells** published. [Read more on our blog.](#)
- **The Associate Dean for Research, David Ross, PhD, has given out another round of Seed Grants.** This round focused on collaborations across departments or outside the school. Recipients:
  - **Fritz/Jeong (SOM):** Characterizing a regulatory role for sirtuin activity in myofibril mechanics and heart failure
  - **Joy/Edelstein (SOM):** Bardoxolone methyl and 6-gingerol as nephroprotectants and adjuncts to chemotherapy in a mouse cancer model of cisplatin induced kidney injury
  - **MacLaren/Frank (SOM):** The acute influence of acid suppression with esomeprazole on gastrointestinal microbiota, metabolomics of the CNS and the cognition in a murine model of physiologic stress
  - **Patel/Joshi (SOM):** ;Gut microbiome alterations by ketogenic diet treatment
  - **Roede/D'Alessandro (SOM):** Investigation of maneb-mediated metabolic shifts using stable isotope tracing metabolomics
  - **Saba/Ehringer (Boulder):** Dissecting the genetic predisposition for opioid self-administration using a rat model

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## Apply by July 15th for the new Integrative Health and Medicine Certificate Program

**Why is it important to take IHM seriously?**



[A recent study](#), conducted in part by **CU Pharmacy faculty member, Monika Nuffer, PharmD**, showed that there is a significant gap in the education system when it comes to preparing emerging providers to discuss herbals and supplements.

For patient health and safety, **it is important for all healthcare providers**, pharmacists, physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and dentists to be knowledgeable and confident in holistic care.

Apply Now

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## In the News

CU Pharmacy and its experts are consistently sought out by reporters covering a variety of topics.

- The FDA has approved a marijuana-based medicine to treat severe forms of epilepsy. **Faculty member, Jacci Bainbridge, PharmD**, [spoke with 9NEWS about the decision and her research](#).
- Current **NTPD student, Corey Craig, aka DJ Coreyography**, [is featured in this article about his dual identity - nuclear pharmacist during the week and a DJ on the weekends](#). He recently performed as part of NYC Pride, opening for pop star Kylie Minogue during the pride parade after-party.
- The School staffed another **Pharmacist Line9 on 9NEWS** on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Students and faculty answered general questions on medications and healthcare from the public. The next one is scheduled for July 19<sup>th</sup> from 4 - 5.30 p.m.
- Faculty member **Jennifer Kiser, PharmD**, wrote an [article for My Prime Time News about the Hepatitis C virus and who should be tested](#).
- Pharmacist rapper and **recent graduate Lee Amaya, PharmD, aka SouLee PharmD**, was [interviewed on Pharmacy Future Leaders by Pharmacy Podcast](#).

