COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS

"By completing the teaching program I will complete my teaching portfolio, which will be a strong asset if I decide to pursue an academic career in the future."

"The teaching program has helped me to see the different aspects that go into creating a class, developing a syllabus and making good objectives for the students."

"It is very valuable to have exposure to videoconferencing and distance learning technologies."

"I have received a great deal of support from my residency director and teaching program advisor. I feel that there is a very strong open-door policy if I need to ask questions or seek guidance."

"One of my desires in my residency was to develop ways to be a better educator through a teaching program, and my program ensured that I was able to have that opportunity."

COMMENTS FROM RESIDENCY DIRECTORS

"The teaching program will definitely make my residency program more attractive to prospective residents."

"I am pleased that UMKC has developed a residency teaching program in which my residents can participate."
Pharmacy residents often seek careers in academia or have strong interests in positions affiliated with academic centers. With these career goals in mind, many look for residencies where they can develop their teaching skills both in the classroom and in the practice setting. In addition, many recent graduates of residency programs come to academic positions with little training or experience in teaching.

This program is designed to introduce participants to academic literature, contemporary pharmacy education, teaching styles and philosophies. Each attendee will participate in a variety of learning and practical experiences that will allow him/her to learn about teaching, gain experience, receive assessments of their teaching ability, identify ways to improve, and implement those improvements through additional teaching activities. Participants will be alerted to opportunities for additional learning. Handouts, bibliographies, recorded teaching workshops and website information will be used to encourage future learning and development.

The goal of this program is to provide a forum for program participants to gain knowledge of contemporary pharmacy education issues, gain experience in a variety of teaching settings, and demonstrate improvement in their teaching skills.

For program completion, participants must meet certain requirements, which may include:

**TEACHING WORKSHOPS**
Workshops occur throughout the academic year and are approximately three hours in length. Workshops may be supplemented with content modules to allow for interaction during workshops to further apply information and concepts. Participants outside the Kansas City Metro can participate via Polycom, UMKC’s distance teaching technology.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCES**
Participants will employ techniques learned through instructional delivery customized to each participant’s setting and goals. Each resident will also gain experience precepting senior clerkship students.

**TEACHING PHILOSOPHY**
Participants will be introduced to principles of learning theory to integrate into a personal statement on teaching philosophy.

**TEACHING PORTFOLIO**
At the conclusion of the program, each participant will have compiled a portfolio of their teaching activities and assessments. Residents will be assigned a UMCK School of Pharmacy faculty member to serve as a portfolio reviewer to provide feedback as the portfolio is compiled.