

# Creating a Cross-College Advocacy Elective Experience



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## OBJECTIVE

- Pharmacy legislative success is limited by the finite number of practicing pharmacists, as well as varying pharmacy interests
- It is critical to engage student pharmacists to advocate for our profession as a team
- Pharmacy educators in Ohio created a 1-hour elective to encourage our students to advocate together collaboratively across interests and institutions

## COURSE DESIGN

- Hybrid learning experience
- Utilized one LMS course page hosted by the University of Cincinnati
- Culminated in a combined visit to the Ohio Statehouse to advocate for current pharmacy issues
- Statehouse visit supported by the Ohio Pharmacists Association
- 7 online asynchronous lessons prior to the visit to the Statehouse
- Each individual campus met to prep before the Statehouse visit, as well as to debrief after the visit

Implementing a cross-college advocacy elective was a feasible **high-impact** learning experience that emphasized the importance of **legislative advocacy**, and was well received by student pharmacists.



Final Course Evaluation <i>n=15</i>	SA	A	D	SD
The goals and expectations of the course were clearly communicated.	73% (11)	20% (3)	7% (1)	0% (0)
Course content was organized in a manner that helped me learn.	67% (10)	20% (3)	13% (2)	0% (0)
Non-lecture activities (preparation day and legislative day visit, etc.) contributed to my comprehension of the material and preparation for legislative visits.	80% (12)	20% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)
The assessments and activities reflected areas of emphasis in the course.	73% (11)	27% (4)	0% (0)	0% (0)
I feel prepared in the content of this course.	80% (12)	20% (3)	0% (0)	0% (0)

## RESULTS

- Enrolled 36 students from 4 Universities
- Course was well received by students
- Largest student identified area of improvement was more opportunities to interact with peers throughout duration of the course
- 6 of the 7 Colleges of Pharmacy in Ohio have shown interest in participating for Fall 2024



Student  
Testimonials  
& Feedback