The School of Pharmacy is in its fourth quarter-century of providing quality pharmacy education. The first Pharmacy class matriculated in September 1925 under the leadership of the founding dean, Dr. Hugh C. Muldoon. In May 2000, the School of Pharmacy graduated the first entry-level Doctor of Pharmacy class. The Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences was established in 1990.

The Duquesne University School of Pharmacy is housed on the fourth floor of the award-winning Mellon Hall of Science and the adjacent Bayer Learning Center. School facilities in Mellon Hall and Bayer Learning Center include recently renovated classrooms, conference rooms, and teaching and research laboratories. Academic Research Centers enhance the educational experience for our students. The Giant Eagle Center for Pharmacy Practice is located in the Bayer Learning Center. The Center for Pharmaceutical Technology, which includes a fully equipped manufacturing laboratory/pilot plant, is located in the basement of Mellon Hall. Located in the Muldoon Building, the Center for Pharmacy Care and the Center for Integrative Heath provide medical therapy management and wellness programs to employees and medically underserved areas around Pittsburgh.

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Academic dress had its beginnings in the Middle Ages. When the English universities were taking form in the 12th and 13th centuries, the scholars were also clerics and adopted robes similar to those of their monastic orders. Caps were a necessity in the drafty buildings, and capes with hoods attached were needed for warmth. The hood was selected by these early scholars as the article to be made distinctive for various degrees by its color, trimming, and binding. As the universities gradually passed from the control of the ecclesiastics, costumes took on brighter hues, and even today the robes of Oxford and Cambridge remain among the most colorful of all. The use of academic costume in the United States has been continuous since colonial times. A uniform system was not widespread, however, until about 1895 when the well-defined code of the Intercollegiate Commission was adopted by nearly all institutions of higher learning.

Gown

Gowns worn by those in the procession vary according to the degree held. Although the gown is more frequently black for academic degrees, certain universities have authorized the use of colored gowns. The academic gown has pointed sleeves for the master’s degree, and round, full sleeves for the doctor’s degree. There are no trimmings on the bachelor’s and master’s gowns, but the doctor’s gown is faced in front with black velvet and has three bars of the same material across the sleeves or, in some cases, the color of this velvet relates to the field in which the degree is granted. Recipients of the bachelor’s degree do not usually wear hoods.

Hood

The hood, which is the most distinctive feature of the American code, varies in length according to the type of degree held and is lined with the official colors of the institution conferring the degrees. The standard cap is the mortarboard, usually the color of the gown.

Cap

The standard tassel is black, but the doctor’s cap may have a gold tassel. The School of Pharmacy has been authorized to use an olive green tassel. Graduates wear the tassel on the right side of the cap until the moment the degree is conferred.

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Thy eternal providence has appointed me to watch over the life and health of Thy creatures. May the love for my art actuate me at all times; may neither avarice nor miserliness, nor thirst for glory, or for a great reputation engage my mind; for the enemies of truth and philanthropy could easily deceive me and make me forgetful of my lofty aim of doing good to Thy children. May I never see in the patient anything but a fellow creature in pain. Grant me strength, time and opportunity always to correct what I have acquired, always to extend its domain, for knowledge is immense and the spirit of man can extend infinitely to enrich itself daily with new requirements. Today he can discover his errors of yesterday and tomorrow he may obtain a new light on what he thinks himself sure of today. O, God, Thou has appointed me to watch over the life and death of Thy creatures; here am I ready for my vocation, and now I turn unto my calling.

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I will consider the welfare of humanity and relief of suffering my primary concerns.
I will promote inclusion, embrace diversity, and advocate for justice to advance health equity.
I will apply my knowledge, experience, and skills to the best of my ability to assure optimal outcomes for all patients.
I will respect and protect all personal and health information entrusted to me.
I will accept the responsibility to improve my professional knowledge, expertise, and self-awareness.
I will hold myself and my colleagues to the highest principles of our profession’s moral, ethical and legal conduct.
I will embrace and advocate changes that improve patient care.
I will utilize my knowledge, skills, experiences, and values to prepare the next generation of pharmacists.
I take these vows voluntarily with the full realization of the responsibility with which I am entrusted by the public.
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