

## **Teaching Requirements for Graduate Students in the Department of Pharmacotherapy and Outcomes Science**

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is for graduate students to gain experience in preparing and delivering a lecture(s) or other teaching activities to a specific audience. All graduate students in the department are required to perform teaching. This requirement can be met by assignment as a teaching assistant in a course (approximately 12 hours per week), completion of VCU's Preparing Future Faculty Program, completion of the VCUHS Teaching Certificate for Pharmacy Residents, or as outlined below:

- The faculty advisor and graduate student will decide on the semester(s) the teaching will occur.
- The faculty advisor and/or course coordinator will discuss the goals and expectations of the teaching experience with the graduate student.
- At a minimum, the graduate student will:
  - Deliver at least 1 lecture or teaching activity (MS students) or 2 lectures or teaching activities (PhD students).
  - Develop an assessment of the content of the lecture (e.g., assignment, test questions).
  - Participate in the evaluation of the assessment, if applicable.
- The faculty advisor and/or course coordinator will evaluate the teaching using the school's peer-evaluation instructional observation form and provide feedback to the graduate student.
- Satisfactory completion of the teaching requirement will be documented on the School of Pharmacy Graduate Student Teaching form.

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