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Welcome to the Department of Pharmaceutics and Pharmacy Practice home page.

The Department of Pharmaceutics and Pharmacy Practice, University of Nairobi, is the largest department at the School of Pharmacy and is comprised of a diversified group of academic staff, technical staff, administrative staff, postgraduate students and research assistants. The Department encompasses staff with interests and emphasis in the field of Pharmaceutics and Drug Delivery, Nanotechnology, Clinical Pharmacy, Pharmacy Law and Ethics, Community Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Microbiology and Social and Administrative Pharmacy.

Our members of staff are deeply committed to achieving excellence in our teaching and research missions. Our undergraduate programme show cases several disciplines within the profession of pharmacy and provides our students with knowledge and expertise that prepares them adequately for professional practice. We at the department lay utmost emphasis on interdisciplinary team-work, to impart lifelong education of a well rounded pharmacist. It is our earnest endeavour to equip our students with professional ethics and appreciation of the value of service to their profession and society.

Currently, we offer postgraduate studies in Clinical Pharmacy and Industrial Pharmacy but we soon intend to launch more postgraduate programmes that meet the market demand in the field of pharmacy.

Our Clinical Pharmacy staffs are engaged in teaching clinical pharmacy practice to our students at various hospital sites within the country, namely Kenyatta National and Referral Hospital, Mbagathi Hospital, Karatina District Hospital, Naivasha District Hospital, Coast General Hospital and Kisii level V hospital.

The Department's staff has recently set up collaborations with local pharmaceutical manufacturing companies in Nairobi to provide consultancy on pharmaceutical formulation development and production processing. Our post graduate students training in Industrial pharmacy are involved with the local pharmaceutical industries during their industrial rotations for hands on experience.

The Pharmacy Practice and Drug Information Unit (PPDIU) is a model community pharmacy housed within the department that caters as an active learning site for our students.

Further more, we take pride in the accomplishments of our staff and students, not only in research, but in all aspects of academic life. We applaud the recent award of grant, fellowship and scholarships



to our staff members and postgraduate students.

We also greatly value inputs from the consumer of our products and from our associates, friends and all of you out there. We therefore invite you to visit our department so that you may appreciate what we do.

Dr Shital Mahindra Maru

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