

# Randall Wins SWOSU Patient Counseling Competition

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The Southwestern Oklahoma State University College of Pharmacy recently held its annual Patient Counseling Competition and Luran Randall of Concordia (KS) was named the winner.

Randall will receive an all-expenses paid trip to New Orleans on March 9-12 to compete in the National Patient Counseling Competition held during the American Pharmacists Association—Academy of Student Pharmacists annual meetings. The APhA-ASP is a sponsor of the competition.

SWOSU student Amanda Mayo of Enid was the runner-up in the SWOSU competition. The competition has occurred annually since 1998 and is open to all students of the SWOSU College of Pharmacy professional program. Student pharmacists engage in a role-playing scenario with a volunteer patient. The participants must call upon knowledge and skills to effectively guide the patient in medication decisions and therapeutic management guidelines. Scoring is standardized and based on a series of criteria for proper patient counseling.

This year's judges were Dr. Steve Drinnon, Dr. Sally Drinnon, and Dr. Meredith Carpenter of Clinic Pharmacy in Weatherford.