

Khan Completes Pharmacy Academic Research Fellows Program

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SWOSU Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences Chair Dr. Faruk Khan (third from left) recently completed the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) 2013-14 Academic Research Fellows Program (ARFP). Other participants included (from left): Mohammad Newaz, Chicago State University; Christopher J. Destache, Creighton University; mentor Alice M. Clark, The University of Mississippi; David Pearson, California Northstate University; Terrence J. Monks, University of Arizona; and Ke Jian “Jim” Liu, University of New Mexico.

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The ARFP is a year-long program designed to expand the leadership capabilities of established faculty research scientists and administrators to cultivate collaborative team research and graduate education across institutions.

The participants from across the nation gained experience in research-focused leadership development, team building, and development of innovative research strategies to secure funding from federal and other public and private sources. They also gained insight into the dynamics, management, institutional structures and policies that affect research teams, and had the opportunity to network with successful research leaders and advocacy groups. In addition to sessions in residence, fellows participated in team-based project development.

Khan had the opportunity to meet and interact with key officials from funding agencies, research organizations, and successful research program principal investigators to acquire approaches for securing and sustaining a leadership role in biomedical and pharmaceutical research in response to social, economic, political and environmental changes.

“I experienced the strategies to enhance institutional research programs and multi-institutional collaboration that will benefit tremendously in establishing research collaborations with other academic, government, and industrial scientists as well as writing highly competitive research center grants,” Khan said.

Khan also presented a poster on SCRiPS (Southwestern Center for Research in Pharmaceutical Sciences) during the ARFP session at the AACP annual meeting held in late July in Grapevine (TX). This provided an update on the newly developed research center at the SWOSU College of Pharmacy.