

## Faculty Strategy 2005/2010

The strategy of the faculty of pharmacy through the period from 2005 to 2010 is to address the following challenges :

- Fulfillment of the Faculty vision and mission, in addition to the faculty goals in order to make the Faculty of Pharmacy, Assiut University matches and agrees well with the international standards.
- Continuing the improvements in the educational and research programs.
- Continuing the improvements in the overall undergraduate and graduate experiences including common elements of each.

The main axes to fulfill the faculty mission and objectives are :

### **1. Educational affairs:**

Focus on :

- Recruitment of highly qualified graduates capable to enter the practical fields as top-quality specialists and having the ability to compete with different graduates from other faculties in the fields of pharmaceutical industries, research centers, universities, hospitals and community pharmacies in Egypt, Arabic countries and all over the world.
- Participation in the education programs of other Egyptian universities including Al-Azhar University (Assiut branch) and Al-Minia University.
- Teaching postgraduate students to fulfill the requirements to award Diploma, M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees.
- Promoting and facilitating life long learning opportunities responsive to the needs of students, graduates, staff and community.
- Promoting undergraduate and postgraduate students through the faculty educational and activity programs to develop.
- Professionalism based on local and global pharmaceutical and medical standards.
- Ethical principals and logical problem-solving skills and making decisions.
- Intelligent approach to think critically and creatively in the community problems.
- Language skills.
- Analyze and assess personal values and future goals.
- Respect for individuals and their rights

### **2. Research activities:**

Focus on :

- Preparation of new generation of distinguishable young researchers to be the nucleus of scientific projects.
- Preparation of top-quality, staff members specialized in different pharmaceutical scientific fields.
- Carrying applied and academic researches to solve problems in the pharmaceutical industry sector, environment and other related fields.
- Preparation of non-faculty M.Sc. and Ph.D. researchers specially those working in the national

governmental sectors, with continuous communication between them and the mother faculty.

- Finding locally and internationally new sources of funds other than governmental ones to support academic and applied research.
- Providing incentives, rewards, and recognition for research, developing skills of faculty staff members and their assistants and fostering their professional growth.

### **3. Community services and international cooperation:**

Focus on :

- Consideration of the Faculty of Pharmacy as one of the active scientific centers in Assiut University which give services and scientific consultation in the field of pharmaceutical sciences on the local, national and international levels.
- Providing opportunities to improve employment, enhancing career skills and attaining personal enrichment through courses, seminars, workshops and other continuing education programs.
- Providing research centers, manufacturers, and other pharmacy faculties with the faculty graduates and staff members to participate in their research and teaching programs.
- Providing arabic and foreign countries with top-qualified staff members to work as experts and researchers and to participate in their educational programs.
- Continuation in offering scholarships for the faculty graduates and for those of other universities in cooperation with the national and international authorities.

### **4. Accreditation accomplishment:**

Focus on :

- In its quest for accreditation; and with the logistic and financial help and support of the QAAP for higher education in Egypt, the faculty has performed a self study in the academic year 2005/2006 and presented its first annual report for the same academic year.
- These documents were subject to evaluation by the quality assurance and accreditation committee for higher education in Egypt, a part of this evaluation was a peer review site visit in November. 2006 followed by a report about areas of strengths and the points that need to be addressed.
- Corrective measures were taken accordingly and the faculty issued its second annual report 2006/07, followed by a second peer review visit and report in October 2007.
- The faculty is currently finalizing its third annual report for the academic year 2007/2008 in preparation for the third QAAP peer reviewer site visit.

The hereby POA is based on meticulous analysis of the peer reviewers' site-visit reports and the self study performed in 2005, identifying our points of strength & weaknesses for the former to be fortified and the later to be rectified in order to prepare the faculty for accreditation.