One-Year Fellowship
U.S. Medical Affairs Immunology

2021-2022
Biopharmaceutical Industry Fellowship Program
About AbbVie

AbbVie is a global, research-driven biopharmaceutical company committed to developing innovative advanced therapies for some of the world’s most complex and critical conditions. The company’s mission is to use its expertise, dedicated people and unique approach to innovation to markedly improve treatments across four primary therapeutic areas: immunology, oncology, virology, and neuroscience. With our medicines benefitting more than 26 million people living in more than 200 countries, AbbVie employees are working every day to advance health solutions for people around the world.

Our approximately 30,000 employees are scientists, researchers, communicators, manufacturing specialists and regulatory experts located around the globe. Together as a cross-functional team, we come up with new approaches to addressing today’s health issues—from life-threatening illness to chronic conditions.

We target specific difficult-to-cure diseases where we can leverage our core R&D expertise to advance science. We’re constantly working to create solutions that go beyond treating the illness to have a positive impact on patients’ lives, on societies—and on science itself. At AbbVie, we see a future full of possibility, where health is in reach and patient lives are improved.

Additionally, Forbes recently named AbbVie as one of 2019’s best employers for new graduates!

About Purdue University

The original idea to start a pharmacy program at Purdue came from John N. Hurty, a community pharmacist in Indianapolis. He proposed the idea to Purdue President James H. Smart, who agreed to start the program if Hurty would serve as its head for at least two years. Hurty agreed, and the Purdue College of Pharmacy opened its doors in 1884, with seven students and four faculty members, becoming the third state-supported school of pharmacy in the United States.

In the 130 years that have followed, the Purdue College of Pharmacy has grown into a key component of a university that is world-renowned for its STEM leadership. With a reputation for both employing the top pharmacy leaders of today and training the pharmacy leaders of tomorrow, the program consistently ranks in the top ten in the nation.

The College’s 85-member faculty includes pharmaceutical researchers engaged in groundbreaking drug discovery and development programs, and educators whose educational materials are used in pharmacy programs around the world.
Medical Affairs Fellowship

Overview
AbbVie is proud to partner with Purdue University’s College of Pharmacy to offer the first AbbVie-Purdue Biopharmaceutical Industry Fellowship. Founded in 2019, the fellowship program aims to provide exceptional biopharmaceutical industry training for Doctor of Pharmacy graduates with a broad exposure within the Immunology Therapeutic Area.

This program will prepare fellows for a career in the pharmaceutical industry by focusing on developing a deep understanding of medical affairs and how it ties into the business.

The fellowship provides significant experience in a corporate setting, enabling fellows to hone their business and clinical skills. The program also aims to foster professional development; provide intensive, hands-on training; and expose fellows to a variety of industry and academia-based opportunities.

Fellowship mission
• Professional development to promote learning agility, leadership, critical thinking, and team-building skills
• Networking to establish both personal and professional relationships among colleagues, alumni, industry professionals, and health care providers

Pharmaceutical industry component of fellowship
The one-year medical affairs fellowship provides an opportunity to learn the skills necessary to excel as a pharmacist in medical affairs. The fellowship will provide a balanced structure of learning and immersive work experience, which may include:
• Receiving training on and applying regulations related to the medical review of pharmaceutical promotion
• Developing knowledge of AbbVie’s Immunology products, clinical trials, and associated disease states
• Contributing to the launch preparation of new indications
• Conducting literature evaluations and critically analyzing clinical data
• Partnering with cross-functional teams on pipeline and on-market assets to gain understanding of product life-cycle management
• Evaluating the competitive landscape and preparing gap analyses
• Developing materials for and training the Field Medical Team (MSLs—Medical Science Liaisons)
• Spending up to 20 percent of time traveling for congresses, national meetings, and field immersion experiences with MSLs

Academic component of fellowship
Purdue University provides a graduate academic environment to guide and support fellows toward building a successful career in the biopharmaceutical industry. Purdue University recognizes that solving practical, real-world challenges for physicians and pharmacists, as well as industry executives and entrepreneurs, requires close teamwork, creative and critical-thinking skills, and cross-functional fluency. Academic activities may include earning a teaching certificate, presenting lectures in the classroom, sharing research with a poster, engaging in professional development programs with other university-affiliated fellows, and/or mentoring students.

Fellows will spend 90 percent of their time on duties specific to the industry site and 10 percent of their time on professional development activities with Purdue University’s College of Pharmacy.

All fellows will be eligible for adjunct faculty status.
The AbbVie-Purdue Pharmaceutical Industry Fellowship Program provides a unique opportunity with a field leader, preparing pharmacists for successful careers in industry. Working with Purdue University, fellows will be both academically and professionally trained. Candidates are encouraged to review the application requirements and deadlines, as admission into the program is competitive.

AbbVie-Purdue fellows are considered employees of Purdue University and are affiliated with AbbVie, Inc. for professional training and career development. Purdue University is an equal opportunity employer. It does not discriminate against qualified employees or applicants based on race, color, religion, sex, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, age, marital status, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by applicable state or federal law. Equal employment opportunity will be extended to all persons in all terms and conditions of employment. Purdue University strongly encourages candidates from underrepresented groups to apply.

Requirements for eligibility
A successful candidate must be a Pharm.D. graduate from an ACPE-accredited institution. Substantial background knowledge in a related field is a plus. All candidates must be authorized to work in the United States on a permanent basis without requiring sponsorship.

5 Available Positions:*
- 1 Immunology/Gastroenterology Fellow
- 1 Immunology/Rheumatology Fellow
- 1 Immunology/Dermatology Fellow
- 1 Immunology Cross-Franchise Fellow
- 1 Immunology Medical Payer Strategy Fellow
*Subject to change

Admission
To apply, send the following materials to isaac.hong@abbvie.com:
- Letter of intent
- Two references with email addresses
- Two letters of recommendation sent via email from each of the two references directly
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Unofficial pharmacy school transcript
- Any additional materials that the candidate feels would be useful to the interview committee

Deadline
Candidates are required to submit all required application materials by November 29, 2020.*
*Interviews will be conducted on a rolling basis and early application is strongly encouraged

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