

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

Dear Alumni and Friends,

Please join us again this year for the 73rd Annual Pharmacy Spring Seminar. Registration is now open! We hope you can join us as we celebrate many years of teaching excellence at the College of Pharmacy. Note: this seminar will be held in the Hagerman Pharmacy Building and virtually via Zoom.

Ferris State University
The 73rd Annual Pharmacy Spring Seminar
College of Pharmacy
220 Ferris Drive, Room 116
Big Rapids, Michigan

Face to Face and Live Webinar
May 18-19, 2026

Prices:	Pharmacists for Both Days:	\$120
	Pharmacists for Tuesday Only:	\$100
	Pharmacists for Monday Only:	\$40
	Technician for Both Days:	\$100
	Technician for Monday Only:	\$30
	Technician for Tuesday Only:	\$80
	FSU Preceptor currently taking students:	No Charge
	College of Pharmacy Students:	No Charge

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For Pharmacy Technicians the outcomes are the same as for Pharmacists, unless otherwise noted.

Agenda

Monday Evening, May 18th, 2026

- 5:00 pm** **Networking**
- 5:45 pm** **Welcome and Introductions**
- 6:00 pm** ***You and I and UTI – Overview and practical approach to treatment*** (1.0 CE Credit)
Presenter: Dean Van Loo, PharmD
Professor of Pharmacy Practice, Ferris State University, College of Pharmacy, Big Rapids, Michigan
- 7:00 pm** ***Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Healthcare*** (1.0 CE Credit)
Presenter: Ben Pontefract, PharmD, BCPS
Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice, Ferris State University, College of Pharmacy, Big Rapids, Michigan
- 8:00 pm** ***Association versus Causation: Case Study of Acetaminophen and Autism*** (1.0 CE Credit)
Presenter: Greg Wellman, Pharm D, PhD.
Professor, Ferris State University, College of Pharmacy, Big Rapids, Michigan
- 9:00 pm** **Program complete for the evening.**

Tuesday, May 19th, 2026

- 7:45 - 8:00 am** **Networking**
- 8:00 am** **Welcome and Introductions**
- 8:15 am** **Andreson, Distinguished Alumni & Innovative Practice Awards**
- 8:45 am** **Jacoby Lecture: Defining the molecular basis of pathophysiology in SLC30A10-deficiency**
(1.0 CE Credit)
Presenter: Milan Prajapati, PhD.
Assistant Professor, Ferris State University, College of Pharmacy, Big Rapids, Michigan
- 9:45 am** **Break**
- 10:00 am** ***The Current State of Pharmacy: Panel Discussion*** (2.0 CE Credit)
Presenter: Steve Durst, PharmD
Dean, Ferris State University, College of Pharmacy, Big Rapids, Michigan
Panelist: Eric Roath, PharmD, MBA; Brian Steele, PharmD and Mike Smith, BSPS.
- 12:00 pm** **Lunch** (will be provided for the face-to-face participants.)
- 12:45 pm** ***Law Update*** (1.0 CE Credit)
Presenter: Eric Roath, PharmD, MBA,
Director of Governmental Affairs, Michigan Pharmacists Association, Lansing, Michigan
Adjunct Instructor, Ferris State University, College of Pharmacy, Big Rapids, Michigan

1:45 pm ***Invisible Scars: Why Social Pain Hurts and What Pharmacists can do to Help*** (1.0 CE Credit)

Presenter: Sheila Wilhelm, PharmD, FCCP, BCPS

Professor (Clinical), Patient Care Laboratory Coordinator, Wayne State University

Presenter: Sean McConchie, PharmD.

Medical Advisor, CVRM, AstraZeneca Ireland

Adjunct professor, Wayne State University

2:45 pm **Break**

3:00 pm ***Why DEI Still Matters in Pharmacy and Healthcare*** (2.0 CE Credit)

Presenter: Paul Walker, PharmD, FASHP

Clinical Professor Emeritus, University of Michigan College of Pharmacy

5:00 pm **End of Program Address**

Intended Audience

This continuing education program was designed specifically for pharmacists and technicians.

