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**Principles of Curriculum Redesign**

- Enhance student skills and confidence in managing complex patients.
- Provide opportunities for students to differentiate specific capabilities.
- Restructure, redesign & expand pharmacy practice experiences and rotations.

**Restructuring Experiential Education & PAR Placement in Curriculum**

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**Assessment & Evaluation in the PAR Block**

- PCOA
- Calculation Exam
- Law Review/Exam
- Acute Care OSCE Case
- Drug Info Research & Question Analysis
- Community OSCE Case
- Ambulatory Care OSCE Case

**Assessment Emphasis**

Each assessment (except PCOA & calculation exam) has weighted elements impacting student scores. For example:

- **Acute**: Patient Assessment, Medical Info, Drug Related Problems, Interprofessional Communication & Calculations
- **AmCare**: Patient Assessment, Drug Related Problems, Patient Counseling, & General Communication
- **Community**: Patient Assessment, Medical Info, Patient Counseling & Education

CAPE Domain 3 elements pertaining to Approach to Practice and Care will be included across all OSCEs.

Assessments and evaluations will be complemented by short courses addressing advanced law and ethics applications, strategies in drug policy decision making, and collaborative analysis of strategies for the development and application of patient care plans in complex therapeutic cases.

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