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Nancy Fjortoft, Lauren S. Schlesselman Named Associate Editors of the
American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education

Alexandria, Va. – The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) announced today the appointment of Nancy Fjortoft, Ph.D., and Lauren S. Schlesselman, Pharm.D., as associate editors of the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education (AJPE), the official scholarly publication of the Association. Dr. Fjortoft and Dr. Schlesselman join Adam Persky, Ph.D.; Claire Anderson, Ph.D., B.S.Pharm.; and Frank Romanelli, Pharm.D., MPH, who also serve as associate editors of the Journal.

Dr. Fjortoft has a wide variety of expertise in pharmacy education, given her role as dean and professor at Midwestern University’s Chicago College of Pharmacy. She has served on the editorial board for AJPE, Annals of Pharmacotherapy, and Pharmaceutical Education Panel. She has published more than 20 papers in AJPE, one of which received the Rufus A. Lyman Award in 1994. She has also been long-time reviewer for AJPE. An active member of AACP, Fjortoft has served as chair of the Continuing Professional Education section and of the Women’s Special Interest Group Resource Clearing House Committee.

Dr. Schlesselman is assistant dean for academic and strategic initiatives and associate clinical professor at the University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy. She is a current member of the AJPE editorial board and has been a dedicated and committed reviewer for the Journal. She is a member of the editorial board for the Center for Advancement of Pharmacy Education. She has published papers in AJPE as well as Pharmacy Practice, Currents in Pharmacy Teaching and Learning, American Journal of Hospital-System Pharmacy, and Formulary. Schlesselman also received the Rufus A. Lyman Award in 2008. She is the chair-elect of AACP’s Assessment Special Interest Group and has been involved with the Laboratory and Curriculum Special Interest Group.

“We had a very strong pool of applicants interested in serving as associate editor for the Journal, which reflects the quality of the membership in AACP,” said AJPE Editor Dr. Gayle Brazeau. “As we looked at these two candidates, we realized both would bring expertise in the social and administrative sciences as well as strengths in the area of assessment and evaluation that would complement our team. Dr. Schlesselman will provide AJPE with much needed expertise in the scholarship of teaching and learning and in assessment and evaluation, while Dr. Fjortoft will bring leadership and administrative experiences, as well as solid knowledge of in quantitative and qualitative research methods.”

Founded in 1937, the purpose of AJPE is to document and advance pharmaceutical education in the United States and internationally. The AJPE Editor is Gayle A. Brazeau, Ph.D., dean of the College of Pharmacy at the University of New England.

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Founded in 1900, AACP is the national organization representing the interests of pharmacy education. AACP is comprised of 134 accredited colleges and schools with pharmacy degree programs, including more than 6,600 faculty, 64,800 students enrolled in professional programs and 4,900 individuals pursuing graduate study. To learn more about AACP, visit www.aacp.org.