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Ms. Susan W. Merrill

Hayward, CA 94541-5448

Dear Ms. Merrill,

We're not timid here at the School of Pharmacy. Our goal is to shape the future of pharmacy science, policy, education and patient care by working in fresh and collaborative ways. In this, I am continually inspired by the energy and creativity that our students bring to campus. Like the school as a whole, like our accomplished alumni, they don't simply do what is expected of them.

I wanted to come here because of the fantastic opportunities that UCSF offers for student leadership, and community outreach – that's an environment that you can't find many places. You can really find your interest and your place among all of these leadership organizations.

—Will Ofstad, PharmD student

I'm writing today to thank you for all you've done in the past and to ask you to continue your support for the School of Pharmacy with a generous gift. Your donation to the Annual Fund will allow us to give scholarship help to outstanding students like Will. In the current school year, the Annual Fund is providing partial scholarships for 33 students, helping them focus on developing their skills and exploring their options, instead of working excessive hours and worrying about managing the high-cost of living in our beautiful city.

Will Ofstad, PharmD class of 2008 and president of his class during his third professional year, certainly did find his interest and his place here. While pursuing his studies, he found time to serve as an award-winning teaching assistant in the physical chemistry and biopharmaceutics courses and contribute to the community. He participated in the Dean's Inter-Professional Education Task Force, working with students and faculty across UCSF to promote interdisciplinary learning. In 2005, he co-founded Pharmacy Alliance for Mentorship, Leadership, and Information (PhAMLI), a student-run outreach program to match current UCSF pharmacy students with pre-pharmacy undergrads from across the Bay Area.

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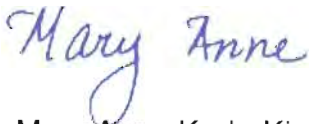
And, with his fellow student and fiancé, Amy Vu, he pursued his interest in cultural and emerging medicine through the Asian Health Caucus. Will's focus on building dialog and consensus across academic, disciplinary and cultural borders prepares him to be a valuable leader in pharmacy.

It is students like Will, our world-class faculty, and alumni like you that have earned the School of Pharmacy its reputation as the best in the country. We are committed to providing innovative education that evolves in response to increasingly rapid scientific advances and social and policy needs.

Please join us in making a donation to the Annual Fund. Gifts from alumni do so much. In addition to funding scholarships, the Annual Fund buys instructional equipment, pays for teaching assistants, provides start-up equipment to newly hired faculty members, and assists students with their impressive community service initiatives. It allows us to rise to unforeseen challenges and take advantage of unexpected opportunities.

Your support plays an important role in creating the excellent experience that the School of Pharmacy provides our students - and in creating the excellent pharmacist leaders we provide to the country.

With warm regards,



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Dean, School of Pharmacy
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