



**JACALYN JONES**  
ASHP Summer Intern 2011



**School:** Northeast Ohio Medical University

**Grad Year:** 2013

**How and why I became interested in the ASHP Summer Internship:**

Health-system pharmacy has always been a passion for me. I see it as an evolving profession that can greatly benefit patients' lives and outcomes. Prior to my internship at ASHP, I was an intern at a local hospital in Cleveland, Ohio, since 2007 and have been an active member of my local SSHP since the beginning of pharmacy school. These experiences provided me a greater understanding of health-systems at a local level. However, I wanted to gain a more national perspective on associations, health-systems, and pharmacy topics while I was still a student. My desire to grow as a student and future professional led me to apply for the ASHP Summer Internship.

**My Role as an Intern:**

Throughout the course of the summer, I had the opportunity to work on a variety of projects and work with many staff teams at ASHP. One area of focus for me was the [Pharmacy Technician Initiative](#) (PTI), which re-launched during my internship on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Through PTI, I was able to work on projects regarding the laws and rules surrounding qualifications to work as a technician and the composition of each board of pharmacy. In addition, I was able to help with the PTI website and its presence on Facebook. Another area I focused on during my internship was the [Pharmacy Practice Model Initiative](#) (PPMI). I was able to help launch a state affiliate and student society benchmarking survey to assess PPMI efforts across the country. I was also able to help update the student resources on the PPMI website. The ASHP internship also provided me the chance to work with the Pharmacy Student Forum by updating the information and application for the Student Society Showcase at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting. . Finally, throughout the summer I designed, created and launched all the state affiliate and student society microsites for ASHP Connect. My diverse experiences throughout the summer helped to develop my professional skills and learn a lot about what I wanted from my future.

**Other Internship Experiences:**

My experience traveling to the ASHP Summer Meeting in Denver, Colorado, was incredible; due to the connections I made and the opportunity to have a behind-the-scenes look at a national meeting. I also was able to travel to Marietta, Ohio, for the Ohio Society of Health-System Pharmacists annual planning retreat. This provided me the opportunity to be a representative for the local, state, and national association at the same time.

**Fun Fact:** My favorite animal is the panda, which I was able to see at the National Zoo this summer.

Please feel free to email me with any questions about my experiences an ASHP Summer Intern.

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