In the Spotlight

2012 Distinguished Service Award Winner

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Originally from Daphne, Alabama, Brent I. Fox holds Doctor of Pharmacy and Doctor of Philosophy degrees, both from Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy. Prior to earning the Ph.D., Brent worked in the health-system software development industry. He is the former Director of the Center for Pharmacy Informatics at Shenandoah University’s Dunn School of Pharmacy.

In his current role at Auburn, Brent teaches in the School’s doctor of pharmacy and graduate education programs. His research program is characterized by two broad domains: pharmacy informatics education and the use of health information technology (HIT) in pharmacy practice. The first domain focuses on the incorporation of pharmacy informatics into graduate education and into professional pharmacy programs leading to the Doctor of Pharmacy degree. The second domain addresses the role of HIT in medication management. The overall goal of Dr. Fox’s research is to improve medication use and medication-related behaviors by both patients and providers to enable improved medication-related outcomes, which is exemplified by a current research initiative that brings health professions and Computer Science Software Engineering students together to work collaboratively on mobile health app development.

Brent has an extensive outreach record, delivering over 250 posters, papers, and presentations on the integration of information technology in healthcare delivery and pharmacy education. Dr. Fox has coauthored two informatics books.
Brent is active in several national, professional associations. He served on the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Section of Pharmacy Informatics and Technology (SOPIT) Executive Committee from 2006-2010. He has served on the SOPIT Advisory Group on Pharmacy Informatics Education since 2006. Brent has been a member of the SOPIT Committee on Nominations since 2010. He currently coordinates the Section’s column (Informatics Interchange) in the *American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy* and serves on the ASHP Foundation Research Advisory Council. Brent is a member of the *American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education* Editorial Review Board and is a contributing editor to *Hospital Pharmacy*. He is the former chair of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Technology in Pharmacy Education and Learning Special Interest Group.

Brent is a former recipient of an American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education pre-doctoral fellowship. He was recently selected as a 2012 recipient of the Young Alumni Achievement Award by the Auburn University Alumni Association. Brent is the president of the Auburn Pharmacy Alumni Association.

Brent resides in Auburn, Alabama with his wife Georgia and their two dogs, Shug and Tubbs, both named after Auburn football coaches.

*Click here to read Dr. Fox’s remarks during the DSA Dessert Reception at the 47th ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting where he received his award.*