College of Pharmacy Faculty Members Awarded Two QU Internal Research Grants

Qatar University recently announced the results of its internal grant cycle for projects to be completed in the next academic year. The clinical pharmacy practice division of the College of Pharmacy received two of these research grants.

"Interprofessional Education at Pharmacy Schools in Arabic-Speaking Middle Eastern Countries: An Investigative study" was awarded funding for investigators Dr. Maguy El-Hajj, Ms Alla El-Awaisi, and UK collaborators, Drs Sundari Joseph and Lesley Diack (Robert Gordon University, Scotland). Despite international support and a desire to include interprofessional education to be part of the curriculum, the current status of interprofessional education in Arabic Middle Eastern countries is largely unexamined. The project will assess the status of Interprofessional Education at pharmacy schools in Arabicspeaking Middle Eastern Countries.

Dr. Kerry Wilbur, in collaboration with Dr. Andrea Taylor at the University of Bath, was awarded funds to towards the project, "Evaluating A Blended-Learning Graduate Program in the Health Professions", which will be a mixed-methods retrospective assessment of the College delivery of the part time Doctor of Pharmacy program stream, for which the first two professional years are delivered in an asynchronous fashion to enrolled practicing pharmacists.