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Hi Randy and Katie,

I hope you are both well.

I am writing to share an update about our required writing course. Beginning in Autumn 2026 our newly approved course, Drugs, Data, and Discourse (PHR 3110), will serve as our embedded writing literacy requirement for the Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences (BSPS) program.

Previously, we offered PHR 2367.01 (in-person) and PHR2367.02 (online) as a second-year writing course in the legacy General Education curriculum. In the new General Education framework, this course was revised and approved within the Health and Wellbeing Theme but temporarily continued to fulfill the advanced writing literacy requirement for our BSPS students. However, its placement in this theme restricted the scope of writing instruction that we could provide to our students. Ultimately, our curricular committee decided that our students would be better served with a standalone pharmaceutical science-specific writing course for our students, and PHR 3110 serves to fill that role.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Thank you,  
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