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SAINT JOSEPH COLLEGE NEW SCHOOL OF PHARMACY BEGINS CLASSES TODAY IN DOWNTOWN HARTFORD

HARTFORD, Conn. – August 15, 2011 – Saint Joseph College today welcomed 68 graduate students to the first day of classes at its new School of Pharmacy located at Hartford 21 on Trumbull Street in downtown Hartford.

“This is an historic day for Saint Joseph College, the City of Hartford and our entire region,” said Pamela Trotman Reid, Ph.D., president of Saint Joseph College. “We welcome the School of Pharmacy inaugural class and the community to our new technology-rich facility that will serve as a catalyst for student achievement, workforce development and community pride for many years to come.”

The School of Pharmacy offers a unique three-year, co-educational doctoral degree program in Pharmacy (Pharm.D.), and is Saint Joseph College’s first doctoral program in its nearly 80-year history. The College’s full-time undergraduate program now offers a pre-pharmacy option where all the prerequisite courses can be completed.

“Today’s milestone builds upon our well-regarded health sciences curricula and addresses the growing workforce demand for accomplished pharmacists. Saint Joseph College continues to respond to the evolving educational needs of our community,” said President Reid.

“The City of Hartford welcomes the Saint Joseph College School of Pharmacy to downtown,” said Hartford Mayor Pedro E. Segarra. “This landmark structure is already a bustling space for students, faculty, administrators and visitors, and adds immeasurably to Hartford’s growing vitality and future workforce.”

“Thanks to the untiring efforts during the past two years my staff and colleagues, the Saint Joseph College School of Pharmacy is ready to prepare future pharmacists,” said Dr. Joseph R. Ofosu, Saint Joseph College Dean of Pharmacy. “It is a school devoted to service, scholarly work, and best professional practices. In addition, the School will collaborate with pharmaceutical companies and government organizations in activities to serve the area’s health needs.”

The School of Pharmacy includes the Kathleen B. and Gene F. Bruyette Classroom in the Round, a technology-focused, interdisciplinary center of education, knowledge and special events created by a \$1 million gift from the Bruyettes, longtime benefactors of Saint Joseph College.

Saint Joseph College, founded in 1932 by the Sisters of Mercy to provide higher education opportunities for women, is a comprehensive institution serving women from diverse backgrounds and religious traditions. Responsive to the evolving educational needs of the community, the School of Graduate and Professional Studies also offers both women and men graduate degree programs in many fields, a Weekend Program for Adult Learners, professional certificate programs relevant to today’s workforce, and other continuing education opportunities.

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