

Day, Robert L., Pharm.D.

Current Title(s): 2012

Associate Dean, School of Pharmacy
Lecturer Emeritus

First Year on UCSF Faculty: 1962

Education:

B.S., University of California, San Francisco, 1958
Pharm.D., University of California San Francisco, 1959

Licensure:

Licentiate in Pharmacy, California

Professional Biography

Robert L. Day received his BS and a Pharm.D. degree from the School of Pharmacy at the University of California in San Francisco, which shortly hired him as an assistant clinical professor of pharmacy, and paid him fabulous sums of money. That was in 1958, 1959 and 1962, respectively (a word he has never quite condoned, but uses, respectively). Over the next 40+ years, it made him vice-chair for clinical pharmacy in the Department of Pharmacy (a predecessor of today's chair for the Department of Clinical Pharmacy), assistant dean for student affairs, associate dean for continuing education and professional affairs, and finally, associate dean. Until 1998, he taught in the basic pharmacy practice courses.

During that same interval, he has served as president of the Peninsula Pharmaceutical Society, president-elect of the San Mateo County Pharmaceutical Association and chair of the Council of Deans and as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy. He has also served on the Board of Directors of Pharmaceutical Society of San Francisco and on numerous professional association committees at the local, state and national level. He was a member of the Competency Committee of the California State Board of Pharmacy for more than 20 years.

He was one of the founders and a charter chapter author of the APhA Handbook on Non-Prescription Medication and was a primary contributor to the conceptualization, design and implementation of the School's Thomas A. Oliver Informatics Resource Center(IRC), a state-of-the-art electronic-based instructional facility.

Bob is the recipient of the Walter K. Arkush Award of the Pharmaceutical Society of San Francisco and the Distinguished Alumnus Award of the UCSF Pharmacy Alumni Association. He has received two award citations from the Vietnamese Pharmacists Association of America. In 2001, he received the ASP Chapter Advisor of the Year Award from the Academy

of Students of Pharmacy, American Pharmacists Association. In 2006, this organization presented him with the ASP Linwood E. Tice Friend of ASP Award.

He is generally considered have an excellent, if not quirky sense of humor (about 3/4 the way up on a Pope Paul VI to Robin Williams scale) and is sometimes perceived by those who must put up with him as a kindly, even saintly person. His taste in art scatters over a wide field, ranging from the Tales of the Crypt school of graphics to impressions of pseudo-renaissance religious art. His imaginative, entirely tasteless interpretation of Madonna con Bambino, computer-rendered after being overdosed by visiting too many churches in Italy, has gained him no notoriety whatsoever, which is only right.

He lives in Larkspur, California with his wife, Dorothy, and twelve magnificent (albeit grossly overstated) redwood trees.