1. **What is the Mercer College of Pharmacy Congrats Committee?**
   The Congrats Committee is comprised of College of Pharmacy alumni. Alums will participate by sending personal congratulatory messages to accepted students. As graduates, alumni are in the perfect position to share how Mercer was an important part of their career in pharmacy. Their best wishes and words of encouragement will certainly leave a lasting impression, especially as students finalize their decision on where to attend pharmacy school.

2. **How does the process work and how much time do I need to set aside to participate?**
   The admissions cycle is from August to July and the amount of accepted students may vary from week to week. After students are notified of their acceptance, they will then be paired with an alum. We ask that alumni reach out as quickly as possible, ideally within a day or two. A phone number and email will be provided, but for the initial reach out, a phone call is preferred for that personal touch! The length of these reach outs is up to you, some calls may be brief while you may find yourself chatting longer with other students. After you communicate with an accepted student, please send us a quick note detailing how the conversation went and if there were any lingering questions that Admissions needs to address. Your note to us can be short and sweet, no long reports required. Sometimes you may be paired with an accepted student in your area or one with similar interests and at other times, the pairing will be random. Busy at work or on vacation? Let us know and we can give you a break from the schedule!

3. **What are some ideas for chatting with accepted students?**
   - Congratulate them!
   - Ask about their interest in pharmacy
   - Share why you chose Mercer COP
   - Describe your transition to pharmacy school (moving, managing schedules, career changes)
   - Mention your favorite classes, professors, rotations or memories
   - List the organizations you participated in
   - How did Mercer prepare you for the career you have now?
   - Share your story and career path

4. **What has Mercer COP been up to lately?**
   Check out the below resources to catch up with the College.

   **Differential Advantage:** Located in the vibrant Atlanta metropolitan area, Mercer University College of Pharmacy is one of the most diverse pharmacy schools in the nation. We offer students a robust educational experience through an expansive network of healthcare providers. With a legacy of caring for more than a century, we prepare our students to lead the pharmacy profession and face the future challenges of a dynamic healthcare environment.

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   **Website:** [http://pharmacy.mercer.edu/](http://pharmacy.mercer.edu/)

   **Admissions Viewbook:** [http://pharmacy.mercer.edu/admissions/pharmacy-viewbook.cfm](http://pharmacy.mercer.edu/admissions/pharmacy-viewbook.cfm)

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