



Pre-Pharmacy

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Pharmacists can work in hospitals, pharmacies, and other healthcare facilities. They can dispense and recommend medications, and counsel patients about dosage, timing, and safe use of medication.

The Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree is a **4 year graduate program** that students can apply to after completing the majority of prerequisite courses, taking the Pharmacy College Admissions Test (PCAT) and applying for admission through the Pharmacy College Application Service (PharmCAS).

Some Pharmacy Schools do not require applicants to earn a Bachelors Degree or have a specific major before applying (3+4 or 4+4 programs).

What do I need to do to apply?

- Complete the prerequisite courses (listed to the right) with a grade of "C" or better in each course
- Maintain a minimum overall GPA of 2.5
- Take the Pharmacy College Admissions Test (PCAT)
- Pharmacy experience is recommended, but not required

The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy also has a Pharmacy School Locator, as well as more information about the field, that can be helpful for students (www.aacp.org).

Prerequisite Course	Credits
Biology (with lab).....	4
Microbiology (with lab).....	4
General Chemistry (with lab).....	8
Organic Chemistry (with lab).....	8
Physics.....	8
Anatomy and Physiology (with lab).....	8
Calculus.....	3
Statistics.....	3
English.....	3
Microeconomics.....	3

While these are the typical prerequisite courses required for admission to Pharmacy school, admission requirements vary from institution to institution. Contact programs for most current requirements/prerequisites and/or research school requirements on PharmCAS.

