

# **D.Pharma**

## **About Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharma)**

Diploma in Pharmacy is a short-term programme for aspirants who want to foray into pharmaceutical business and pharmacy jobs. The course is ideal for students who seek short programmes in the pharmacy domain as B.Pharm and Pharm.D are long-term courses of up to 6 years. Diploma in pharmacy can also be pursued in order to understand the basics of the programme and pursue advanced courses in this field.

The programme covers basic pharmacy education including the application of chemistry in the pharmaceutical industry, concepts of biochemistry, pharmacology and toxicology. The programme enables the students to learn about different chemical salts, their application and uses in medicine. The programme holds good value in the pharmaceutical industry. D.Pharm is an entry-level course that acts as a gateway for aspirants to pursue higher studies either from India or abroad.

## **Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) Eligibility Criteria**

Check out the eligibility for D.Pharm course in detail below:

- Candidate must have passed 10+2 or equivalent to be eligible for D.Pharm admissions.
- A minimum aggregate score of 50% (45% for SC/ST/OBC candidates) at the 10+2 level.

## **D.Pharm Admission Process:**

- Admission to Diploma in Pharmacy is done on the basis of entrance exams conducted by universities that offer this course or through state-level diploma entrance tests.
- Candidates must have passed class 12 exams with science in order to take admission in this programme.
- Some institutes also offer direct admissions to these courses i.e. without conducting entrance or state level exams.

## **Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) Career Options and Job Prospects**

## **Employment Areas**

- Government hospitals
- Clinics
- Private hospitals
- Community health centres
- Private drug stores

## **Job Types/Roles**

- Pharmacist
- Scientific Officer
- Drug Inspector
- Medical Transcriptionist

Salary of a fresher after pursuing D.Pharma programme can vary from Rs. 1 lakh to Rs. 1.5 lakh. Salary in this field are highly dependent on the qualification of the candidate as well as experience. After completing 2 to 3 years in this industry, candidates can expect a salary of up to Rs. 3.5 lakh. After pursuing D.Pharma followed by B.Pharma, candidates can back packages up to Rs. 5 lakh or more depending upon experience.

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