

Have You Ever Thought About Becoming a Pharmacist?

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Objectives

1. List pre-pharmacy school course and credit requirements
2. Recognize the steps in applying to pharmacy school
3. Discuss the journey through pharmacy school



The demand for pharmacists is increasing...

in hospital and clinic settings due to pharmacists becoming more actively involved in drug therapy management and the fact that the large baby-boom generation is ageing.



Typical Pharmacist Duties

- Fill prescriptions
- Regimen review
- Counsel patients
- Give flu shots/immunizations/vaccinations
- Advise Patients on general health topics
- Assist patients with insurance forms
- Oversee the pharmacy staff
- Record keeping
- Instruct other healthcare practitioners on proper medication therapies



Types of Pharmacists

- Community Pharmacist
- Clinical Pharmacist
- Consultant Pharmacist
- Pharmaceutical Industry Pharmacist
- College Professor



Obtaining a PharmD

Pre-pharmacy requirements

Prerequisites

- Requirements to be admitted into a pharmacy program vary from university to university.
- Although you're not required to obtain a bachelors degree, chemistry is a common major for pre-pharmacy students as the classes often align with pharmacy prerequisites.
- But student pharmacists do also come for a wide variety of educational backgrounds, they just must complete the prerequisites as electives.

<https://www.pharmcas.org/>
<https://www.aacp.org/sites/default/files/2019-12/2019-2020%20Course%20Prerequisite%20Table.pdf>



Obtaining a PharmD

Admission Process

PCAT

Volunteer

Application

Interview



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&
“Early Assurance”
Programs**



What do I need to do to be a Pharmacist?

Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)
2 Pharmacy Licensure Exams



Licenses Certifications & Registrations

NAPLEX & MPJE



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