

PRE-PHARMACY INFORMATION



Specialty	Average Salary
Pharmacist	\$116,000

SOURCES: ExploreHealthCareers.org
The American Almanac of Jobs and Salaries
Occupational Outlook Handbook 2012-13

WHAT DO PHARMACY SCHOOLS EVALUATE?

- Academic Record
- PCAT Score
- Biographic Data
- Letters of Evaluation
- Personal Statement (PharmCAS Application)
- Experience
- Interview

Check out <http://www.pharmcas.org/> ,
<http://www.aacp.org/Pages/Default.aspx> , and
<http://www.wku.edu/wkuhpa> for more info

APPLICATION TIMETABLE

Study for the PCAT

Register for the PCAT

PCAT

PharmCAS Online App.

Letters of Evaluation

Secondary Applications

Interviews

Acceptances

Now! At least 6 months prior to attempting the test.

Register early (60-90 days prior) for the date and location you desire (seats are limited). **Cost, \$210.**

July through January, 6 months prior to matriculation into pharmacy school
Primary application to pharmacy school, you may begin working on it in July, and it should be submitted by November 1st. **Cost, \$150+ \$55/school.**

After you complete your application, contact your advisor.

Submit as soon as you can adequately complete.

As early as September but as late as April

As early as October but as late as April

OTHER INFORMATION

- There are 139 accredited pharmacy schools in the U.S., District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.
- You will view your unofficial PCAT scores at the test center (computer-based)
- Scholarships and other forms of Financial Aid are available, most students take out loans
- Get some experience, volunteer, shadow and/or work in a pharmacy setting
- Join the Pre-Pharmacy Club
- Join Alpha Epsilon Delta, the pre-health professions honor society

PRE-PHARMACY ADVISORS: Dr. Darwin Dahl, Mr. Larry Byrd, Chemistry; Dr. Rodney King, Biology; Mr. Christopher Crutchfield, OCSE Dean's Office

WKU COURSES FOR PRE-PHARM EMPHASIS*

BIOL 120/121 Biological Concepts I (4)

BIOL 131 Human Anatomy & Physiology (4)

BIOL 207/208 General Microbiology (4)

or

BIOL 226/227 Microbial Biology & Diversity (4)

CHEM 120/121 College Chemistry I (5)

CHEM 222/223 College Chemistry II (5)

CHEM 340/341 Organic Chemistry I (5)

CHEM 342/343 Organic Chemistry II (5)

PHYS 231/232 Physics & Biophysics I (4)

PHYS 332/233 Physics & Biophysics II (4)

ECON 202 Prin Economics-Micro (3)

MATH 136 Calculus I (4)

MATH 183 Introductory Statistics (3)

ENG 100 Into to College Writing (3)

ENG 300 Writing in the Disciplines (3)

Courses that will assist in PCAT preparation and with your first 2 years in pharmacy school include: Biochemistry, Genetics, Medical Terminology, Psychology, Immunology, and Healthcare Ethics

* "Pre-Pharm" is not a major, but is a concentration