SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

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Union University’s Doctor of Pharmacy program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE, www.acpe-accredit.org), the national organization that accredits Doctor of Pharmacy programs offered by Colleges and Schools of Pharmacy in the United States and selected non-U.S. sites. Questions about the status of the University’s accreditation may be posed to the Dean of the School of Pharmacy’s office (731.661.5958) or to ACPE (312.664.4625).

Mission Statement
To promote an excellence-driven academic culture that instills knowledge of basic biomedical, pharmaceutical, social, behavioral, administrative, and clinical sciences.

To provide a Christ-centered environment that focuses on the intellectual, spiritual, and moral development of students in committing themselves to the service and needs of society.

To develop pharmacy students as practitioners who are people-focused in providing optimum interdisciplinary care to clients based on evidence and best-practice standards.

To support an academic environment that fosters the future-directed growth of students and faculty opportunities as it relates to education, practice, research, and scholarship initiatives.
Faculty
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Admissions Standards

Admission to the Union University School of Pharmacy is by committee action, based on the overall record and aptitude of the applicant. To be considered for admission to the school, applicants must complete all of Union University’s Pre-Pharmacy requirements.

- Applicants must complete all prerequisite requirements at an accredited institution recognized by American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP).
- The overall academic average for all courses completed must not be less than 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- A grade of “C” or higher for each prerequisite course is required.
- All applicants must also complete the online PharmCAS application. The application must be complete and include at least three references.

- Applicants (except those in PEAP) are required to take the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT) and results should be submitted to PharmCAS.
- An onsite interview is required as part of the admission process. Interviews are conducted by invitation only and will be sent via email. A writing sample will be required as part of the onsite interview.

While there is a deadline of March 1 of the year in which admission is desired, applicants are encouraged to apply early as space is limited. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis throughout the year until the class is filled. The Union University School of Pharmacy admits only once class per year in the fall semester.
Prerequisites

Admission to the School of Pharmacy requires the completion of pre-professional coursework as follows:

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Notes: Courses that will increase the strength of the applicant’s candidacy include Biochemistry, Immunology, Genetics and a second semester of Physics or Calculus.

* For all science and math courses, the prospective pharmacy student should take courses which are suitable for science majors intending graduate study and should include laboratories when available.

+ Elective courses must conform to the following distribution and requirements:
  - Humanities Electives include courses from arts, history, language, literature, or philosophy.
  - Social Sciences Electives include courses from anthropology, economics, political science, psychology, or sociology.

It is also strongly recommended that candidates for a Doctor of Pharmacy program gain work experience in a pharmacy prior to application.

Pre-Pharmacy Track

The Pre-Pharmacy Track is a two year track preparing students for admission into the Union University School of Pharmacy. Students interested in participating in the Pre-Pharmacy Track will make this designation on their Undergraduate Application. Pre-Pharmacy Track students will be advised by School of Pharmacy staff.

Students must take a minimum of 14 credit hours per semester and follow the Pre-Pharmacy Track curriculum as outlined below. Students will complete the PharmCAS application and schedule to take the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT). Completion of the Pre-Pharmacy track does not guarantee admission into Union University’s School of Pharmacy.

Students may also participate in the Pharmacy Early Admission Program (PEAP) as part of the Pre-Pharmacy Track. For details regarding benefits, eligibility, progression criteria and matriculation, please see the PEAP section.

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Notes: Social Science and Humanities Elective Options:
ECO 211 (3), ECO 212 (3), HON 210 (3), PHL 240 (3), PSC 211 (3), PSY 213 (3), or SOC 211 (3)
Pharmacy Early Admission Program (PEAP)

The purpose of the Pharmacy Early Admission Program (PEAP) is to recruit highly qualified students and to streamline their admission to the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) program at Union University.

Benefits

- PEAP guarantees admission to the School of Pharmacy (SOP), pending successful adherence to progression criteria and a successful onsite interview.
- PEAP students are not required to take the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT).
- PEAP students are not required to pay the $1000 deposit.
- PEAP students will be mentored by SOP faculty members.
- PEAP offers opportunities for social connections with other PEAP students, SOP faculty, and SOP students.
- In some cases, research opportunities may be available to qualified students.

Eligibility

- Students admitted to Union University as freshmen automatically qualify for PEAP.
- A currently enrolled Union student who has completed one full academic year (fall and spring semesters) and a minimum of 28 of the required pharmacy prerequisite hours at Union University (at least 14 hours of science and math) with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Progression Criteria

To enter the PEAP program or to maintain eligibility, students must

- Notify the School of Pharmacy of interest in PEAP upon admission to Union University or upon completion of qualifications for PEAP (if a current student or transfer student). This notification should be given to the SOP admissions office no later than October 15. Registration with the SOP is critical as space is limited for each admitted class.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of $3.0$
- Achieve an ACT $22$ prior to matriculation into the School of Pharmacy.
- Complete all pharmacy prerequisites prior to matriculation into the School of Pharmacy with a grade of "C" or above in each course.
- Attend one announced SOP event annually.
- Meet each semester with their pharmacy mentor.
- Register for and complete a minimum of 14 hours per semester (fall and spring) at Union University while in PEAP.

Matriculation

To matriculate into the School of Pharmacy via the PEAP, students must:

- Complete the PharmCAS application by September 1 of the year prior to matriculation and designate Early Decision.
- Participate in an onsite interview. The interview will be scheduled by the SOP Office of Admissions once the application is complete.

Additional Information

- PEAP students are eligible to matriculate into the SOP upon successful completion of prerequisite courses or the Bachelor’s degree.
- Conditional admission will be granted to a PEAP student until the completion of the final undergraduate semester (contingent upon satisfactory completion of spring courses).
- In some cases, PEAP students will be able to apply to have a Bachelor’s degree awarded after the first year of their Pharm.D. coursework. For information on this, the student is encouraged to contact their undergraduate advisor.
- Students who fail to meet PEAP progression criteria may apply to the SOP through the traditional admissions process.