

ADMISSION TO PHARMACY PROGRAMS

Distance and Campus Pathway Admissions

Fulfillment of the basic requirements does not guarantee admission. A selection system exists in which the Pharmacy Admission Committee selects the applicants it considers best qualified for the study and practice of the profession from the pool of applicants. Admission is based on rigor of coursework, quality of academic institution, cumulative GPA, prerequisite science GPA, PCAT score (if available), work experience, recommendations, personal statement, and interview.

The final deadline for pharmacy applications is June 1st prior to the desired term of entry; however, applicants are strongly encouraged to apply in the fall prior to the desired term of entry. The preferred deadline for admission, including Creighton undergraduate students, is October 1. Applicants are encouraged to apply early. Please see our website for the most current deadlines (<https://spahp.creighton.edu/future-students/doctor-pharmacy/admissions-information> (<https://spahp.creighton.edu/future-students/doctor-pharmacy/admissions-information/>)). Qualified applicants are invited to interview on a first-come, first-served basis. Once interview seats and entering class seats are filled, the admission committee will no longer consider remaining applicants. To apply for admission, students must apply online through PharmCAS, a pharmacy college application service, at www.PharmCAS.org (<http://www.pharmacas.org>) and submit the following:

- An official transcript from each U.S. and Canadian institution the applicant has attended and/or is currently attending. Official transcripts must be sent directly from the issuing institution(s) to PharmCAS.
- Personal statement.
- Two letters of recommendation. We prefer that your letters of recommendation come from college professors and employers who can attest to your ability to enter a competitive professional program. Do not submit letters from family members or friends. Letters of recommendation must be submitted through PHARMCAS.
- The Admission Committee will not review candidates who have not earned a "C" or better in at least one semester of organic chemistry by the end of the fall semester prior to the desired term of enrollment.
- Interviews are required in the admission process. Qualified applicants will be notified if they are selected for an interview. Interviewees will be scheduled from September through June.

Early Assurance for Pharmacy

The Doctor of Pharmacy Program offers an Early Assurance program designed for high school students interested in early admission to the Creighton University Doctor of Pharmacy Program. Students admitted to a Creighton University undergraduate college are given assurance of acceptance to the Doctor of Pharmacy program if they meet certain criteria for admission and progression. If these criteria are met, a simplified PharmCAS application is required prior to entry to the Doctor of Pharmacy Program.

Pre-Professional Component Admissions

The 63 hours of prerequisites for entry into the pharmacy program are outlined below. All prerequisite coursework must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

Prerequisite Courses	Semester Hours	Quarter Hours
General Biology I and II with labs (Coursework in botany, ecology, entomology, anatomy or physiology will not fulfill the biology requirement.)	8	12
Human Anatomy (If enrolled in a combined anatomy/physiology course, 6 semester hours will be required.)	3	4.5
General Chemistry I and II with labs ¹	8	12
Organic Chemistry I and II with labs ¹	8	12
Calculus (Pre-calculus, survey, and brief calculus will not fulfill the requirement.)	3	4.5
English (including composition)	6	9
Speech (Must include public speaking.)	3	4.5
Psychology	3	4.5
Microeconomics	3	4.5
Electives (Nine semester hours from humanities or behavioral or social sciences. Creighton undergraduate students must complete 6 hours of Theology among the elective hours.)	18	27.5
Total	63	95

¹ The chemistry courses must be a two-semester, eight-hour or equivalent course sequence. A course sequence is considered to be a correlated pair of courses offering in-depth coverage of a specific field and must be at a level such that the courses would be acceptable as prerequisites to advance towards a bachelor's degree in that discipline. For chemistry and biology courses, survey courses, courses without associated laboratories, courses designed for non-science majors, online science courses utilizing a laboratory kit, or abbreviated courses targeted to health science majors are not acceptable as prerequisite science courses.

All curricula in the SPAHP undergo constant review and refinement. Please check with the SPAHP Admission Office for the most up-to-date program prerequisites.

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