What is Ferris State University (FSU) College of Pharmacy’s mission statement?

“The College of Pharmacy fosters the development of its students, faculty, and pharmacists into practitioners who positively influence the health outcomes of the peoples of Michigan, the Great Lakes region, the nation and the global community.”

Where can I find additional information about FSU PharmD?

- FSU PharmD Website: http://www.ferris.edu/colleges/pharmacy
- PharmCAS Program Website for FSU PharmD: http://schoolpages.pharmcas.org/publishedsurvey/419

What were the admission statistics for 2015?

Applications: ~600 | Interviewed: 230 | Number accepted: 150 | Number of students in the class: 150

What classes do I need?

The following GVSU courses are prerequisites to FSU’s PharmD program:

| BIO 120: General Biology I   | CHM 232 or 461: Biological Chemistry or Biochemistry I (CHM 461 preferred) |
| BIO 121: General Biology II  | COM 201 or 301: Speech or Interpersonal Communication |
| BIO 355 or 375/376: Human Genetics or Genetics/Genetics Lab  | ECO 210 or 211: Introductory Macroeconomics or Introductory Microeconomics |
| BMS 208: Human Anatomy      | MTH 125 or 201: Survey of Calculus or Calculus I |
| BMS 309: Laboratory in Human Anatomy (Cadaver)  | PHY 220 or 230: General Physics I or Principles of Physics I |
| BMS 212/213: Introductory Microbiology w/lab | PSY 101 or SOC 201: Introductory Psychology or Introduction to Sociology |
| BMS 290/291: Human Physiology w/lab  | STA 215: Introductory Applied Statistics |
| CHM 115: Principles of Chemistry I | WRT 150 + 2 SWS Courses |
| CHM 116: Principles of Chemistry II | |
| CHM 241: Organic Chemistry for Life Sciences I | |
| CHM 242: Organic Chemistry for Life Sciences II | |

9 semester hours of other general education courses, with at least one course at 200 or higher level

FSU does accept AP/CLEP credit for math and science prerequisites starting Fall 2014. AP/IB and CLEP credit must be college transcript verified as part of the PharmCAS application to be recognized. Candidates should complete a minimum of 32 semester hours from the math, biology (general biology, microbiology, anatomy and physiology, genetics), chemistry, and physics requirements at the collegiate level, prior to enrollment (if accepted).

All prerequisites must be completed with a C or better grade; a minimum 2.50 prerequisite GPA is required.

What PCAT score and GPA do I need for admission to FSU PharmD?

NOTE: FSU does not publish recent profiles of admissions

PCAT
To be a Competitive Applicant:
You should score within the 50th Percentile or higher

In recent years, the average has been 68th percentile and higher

When an applicant has submitted multiple PCAT scores, FSU PharmD uses the highest composite score available in admission review.

GPA
To be a Competitive Applicant:
You should have between a 3.0 - 4.0 GPA

In recent years, the average of incoming students has been around a 3.5 GPA

When calculating GPA, Pharmacy schools will count all attempts of a course (i.e. repeated course grades are averaged).
What else do I need to do to be a competitive applicant to FSU PharmD?

Besides GPA and PCAT scores, FSU PharmD evaluates a number of other factors and attributes, including:

- Communication skills
- Understanding of the profession
- Leadership qualities
- Problem solving
- Experience/service (pharmacy practice or non-pharmacy health care related)
- Extracurricular involvement
- Intercultural experiences

What do I need to know about applying to FSU PharmD?

Like most pharmacy schools, FSU PharmD uses PharmCAS as their application server: [http://www.pharmcas.org](http://www.pharmcas.org). The application deadline is February 2nd. However, since they do rolling admissions, it’s important to APPLY EARLY.

The interview includes a face-to-face interview of 30–60 minutes; an extemporaneous written essay (question provided on-site); overview presentation of the curriculum; tour of the College of Pharmacy; and question and answer period.

No more than three letters of recommendation should be submitted electronically using the PharmCAS system. Letters can be from an employer, faculty advisor, pre-health advisor, health care professional, pharmacist, professor, and/or supervisor. Committee letters are NOT accepted.

Tuition and Fees for 2015 are $19,000 (in-state).

What is it like to be a FSU PharmD student?

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