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Wayne State University

Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Fact Sheet

What is Wayne State University (WSU) College of Pharmacy's mission statement?

"The mission of the Wayne State University Pharmacy Program is to advance pharmacy education, practice, research, and public service, to improve health outcomes."

Where can I find additional information about WSU PharmD?

- WSU PharmD Website: http://cphs.wayne.edu/pharmd
- PharmCAS Program Website for WSU PharmD: http://schoolpages.pharmcas.org/publishedsurvey/498

What were the admission statistics for 2015?

Estimated number interviewed: 200 | Number accepted/in class: 100 | Number of out-of-state admits: 10

What classes do I need?

The following GVSU courses are prerequisites to WSU's PharmD program:

BIO 120: General Biology I

BMS 208: Human Anatomy

CHM 115: Principles of Chemistry I

CHM 116: Principles of Chemistry II

BMS 309: Laboratory in Human Anatomy (Cadaver)
BMS 212/213: Introductory Microbiology w/lab
BMS 290/291: Human Physiology w/lab
CHM 241: Organic Chemistry for Life Sciences II
CHM 242: Organic Chemistry for Life Sciences II
CHM 461: Biochemistry I

BMS 290/291: Human Physiology w/lab **CHM 461**: Biochemis **BMS 310**: Basic Pathophysiology **COM 201**: Speech

or **BMS 408**: Advanced Human Physiology **PHY 220**: General Physics I **STA 215**: Introductory Applied Statistics **WRT 150**: Strategies in Writing

MTH 201: Calculus I

Recommended Courses:

BIO 355: Human Genetics or **BIO 375/376**: Genetics/Genetics Lab; **BMS 450**: Human Histology; **COM 209**: Health Communication Systems

WSU **does** accept AP/CLEP credit for prerequisites, as long as they meet the University's criteria for acceptance. You can find the details at http://transfercredit.wayne.edu/tests.php

All prerequisites must be completed with a C or better grade; a minimum 3.00 cumulative and prerequisite GPA is required. All science prerequisite coursework must be completed within 6 years of the time of application submission.

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

PCAT Profile of 2015 Admissions

Minimum*: 50th percentile composite and in Chemistry, Quantitative, and Biology.

25th percentile in each of the verbal and reading sections preferred.

*75th percentile was the average in 2013 (no info on 2015)

Please note that if you take the PCAT exam more than once, testing scores from the most recent examination date will be considered for admission, not necessarily the test with the highest scores. Also, they will not consider a verbal score from one exam, a quantitative score from another exam, and a chemistry score from yet another. All scores must be from the same exam.

GPA Profile of 2015 Admissions

Overall GPA: Prerequisite GPA: Minimum: 3.0 Minimum: 3.0 Average: 3.6 Average: unknown

When calculating GPA, Pharmacy schools will count all attempts of a course when a course has been repeated.

What else do I need to do to be a competitive applicant to WSU PharmD?

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

- Academic Achievement
- Excellent Verbal and Written Communication Skills in the English language
- Community Service/Volunteer/Extracurricular Activities
- Interest and Experience in Pharmacy and/or Other Health Care Areas and/or Research (no set minimum hours, but the more the better)
- Leadership Experience

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

Like most pharmacy schools, WSU PharmD uses **PharmCAS** as their application server: http://www.pharmcas.org. The application deadline is the **first Monday of November**.

There is **NO supplemental application** required.

The **interview** lasts approximately two hours and forty five minutes. A tour of the building is given by current pharmacy students. Applicants are encouraged to ask questions of the students giving the tour. An onsite writing sample is required. Thirty minutes is given for this sample. Applicants are interviewed by two current pharmacy faculty members, one from pharmaceutical sciences and one from pharmacy practice. The applicant then meets with an advisor to review any outstanding prerequisite course work and general education requirements. Applicants also receive a group presentation about the curriculum in the pharmacy program.

Two electronic **letters of reference** must be submitted for each applicant. One letter must be from one of the applicant's college or university instructors. The second letter can be from any professional reference such as another instructor or a supervisor at a work or volunteer site. Committee letters, letters from pre-health advisors, and personal references are **not** accepted.

Tuition and Fees for 2015-2016 are \$21,658.85 (in-state).

What is it like to be a WSU PharmD student?

The WSU PharmD Curriculum is driven by the following principles:

- 1. Students will be exposed to practice experiences, which are based upon the provision of pharmaceutical care that begins upon entry into the curriculum and continues throughout the four years of the curriculum.
- 2. Pharmaceutical sciences and clinical sciences will be integrated throughout the curriculum with the goal of instilling upon our graduates the need for the continuation of basic science knowledge throughout their careers.
- 3. Faculty will endeavor to deliver the curriculum to students utilizing the most effective means possible and will strive to incorporate new, effective approaches to teaching and learning.
- 4. The curriculum will be "patient-focused" that trains students to be a primary care provider. This will involve teaching students patient assessment and advanced oral and written communications skills.
- 5. Advanced practice experiences will be integrated into institutions and organizations that provide pharmaceutical care. Student experiences will be maximized at an organization such that they can deliver pharmaceutical care and begin to evaluate the outcomes of pharmaceutical care at that institution. These experiences will be reflective of practice environments entered after graduation.

WSU PharmD has informational meetings on the first Tuesday of every month!

Visit this link for more information: http://www.cphs.wayne.edu/meetings.php

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