



# UNION UNIVERSITY

## COLLEGE of PHARMACY

### DIRECT ADMISSION PROGRAM WITH BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

The Union University College of Pharmacy has partnered with Blue Mountain College to offer direct admission to the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree program to interested undergraduate students. The purpose of the Direct Admission Program is to recruit highly qualified students early in their college careers and to streamline their admission to the Doctor of Pharmacy program at Union University.

#### Benefits

- The Direct Admission Program guarantees admission to the Union University College of Pharmacy (UUCOP), pending successful adherence to progression and matriculation criteria.
- Direct Admission students are not required to take the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT).
- In some cases, undergraduate research opportunities may be available to qualified students.

#### Eligibility

- Students admitted to Blue Mountain College as freshmen automatically qualify for direct admission to the UUCOP.
- A currently enrolled Blue Mountain College student must complete a minimum of 28 of the required pharmacy prerequisite hours at Blue Mountain College (at least 14 hours of science and math) with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

#### Progression Criteria

To enter the Direct Admission program or to maintain eligibility:

- Students must notify the UUCOP Office of Admissions of the desire for Direct Admission by completing the form and submitting it to the UUCOP Office of Admissions no later than October 15. Registration with the UUCOP is critical as space is limited for each admitted class.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of  $\geq 3.0$ .
- Complete all pharmacy prerequisites prior to matriculation into the UUCOP with a grade of "C" or higher in each course.
- Achieve an ACT score  $\geq 22$  prior to matriculation into the UUCOP.
- Register for and complete a minimum of 14 hours per semester (fall and spring) at Blue Mountain College.
- Submit an unofficial copy of student transcript to the UUCOP Office of Admissions at the conclusion of each semester.

#### Prerequisite Courses

Prerequisite Courses	Blue Mountain College Courses	Credit hours
*Biology or Zoology	BY 188 -189 Biology for Majors; BY 340 Zoology	8
*General Chemistry	CH 194-195 General Chemistry	8
*Organic Chemistry	CH 330-331 Organic Chemistry	8
*Human Anatomy and Physiology	BY 390-391 Human Anatomy and Physiology	8
*Physics	PH 250 General Physics or PH 256 Physics I	4
*Microbiology	BY 300 General Microbiology	4
*Calculus	MA 230 Calculus and Analytical Geometry I	4
*Statistics	MA 140 Elementary Statistics	3
Written Composition	EN 100-101 English Composition or EN 110-111	6
Communications/Speech	ST 210 Oral Communications	3
*Humanities Elective	Multiple options	3
*Social Sciences Elective	Multiple options	3

**Notes regarding prerequisites**

Courses that will increase the strength of the applicant's candidacy include biochemistry, immunology, genetics, and a second semester of physics. Not all introductory courses in the sciences, calculus, or statistics will be accepted in fulfillment of pre-pharmacy requirements.

\*For all science, calculus, or statistics 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

**Matriculation**

- 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 UUCOP Office of Admissions once the application is complete.

**Additional Information**

- Students may matriculate into the UUCOP once prerequisites are complete or after undergraduate degree completion (3 or 4 years of undergraduate coursework). In rare cases, exceptional students may be capable of matriculating upon completion of 2 years of undergraduate coursework.
- Conditional admission will be granted to Direct Admission students until the completion of the final undergraduate semester (contingent upon satisfactory spring courses).
- The UUCOP admits only one cohort per year in the fall.
- It is strongly recommended that candidates for the Direct Admission program gain work experience in a pharmacy setting prior to matriculation.

**Other Admission Opportunities**

If you do not qualify for admission to the PharmD program through Direct Admission, you may apply through the traditional method.



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#### **Progression Criteria**

- Complete all pharmacy prerequisites prior to matriculation into the Union University College of Pharmacy (UUCOP) with a grade of “C” or higher in each course.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA greater than or equal to 3.0.
- Achieve an ACT score greater than or equal to 22 prior to matriculation into the UUCOP.
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Notification of interest in Direct Admission should be given to the Union University College of Pharmacy Office of Admissions no later than **October 15**. Registration is critical as space is limited for each class.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have met the eligibility requirements, will adhere to the progression criteria and provide the necessary correspondence in order to matriculate into the Union University College of Pharmacy.

I wish to apply to the Direct Admission Program and plan to enter the Union University College of Pharmacy PharmD program Fall \_\_\_\_ (tentative).

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STUDENT SIGNATURE

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DATE