



UNION UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE of PHARMACY

DIRECT ADMISSION PROGRAM WITH MOUNT VERNON NAZARENE UNIVERSITY

The Union University College of Pharmacy has partnered with Mount Vernon Nazarene University 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 Mount Vernon Nazarene University as freshmen automatically qualify for direct admission to the UUCOP.
- A currently enrolled Mount Vernon Nazarene University student must complete a minimum of 28 of the required pharmacy prerequisite hours at Mount Vernon Nazarene University (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 ≥ 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 ≥ 22 prior to matriculation into the UUCOP.
- Register for and complete a minimum of 14 hours per semester (fall and spring) at Mount Vernon Nazarene University.
- Submit an unofficial copy of student transcript to the UUCOP Office of Admissions at the conclusion of each semester.

Prerequisite Courses

Prerequisite Courses	Mount Vernon Nazarene University Courses	Credit hours
*Biology or Zoology	BIO-1054 General Zoology BIO-1074 General Botany BIO-2064 Invertebrate Zoology	8
*General Chemistry	CHE-1034 General Chemistry I CHE-1044 General Chemistry II	8
*Organic Chemistry	CHE-3024 Organic Chemistry I CHE-3034 Organic Chemistry II	8
*Human Anatomy and Physiology	BIO-3045 Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy BIO-3104 Human Physiology	8
*Physics	PHY-2014 General Physics I PHY-2024 General Physics II	4
*Microbiology	BIO-3004 Microbiology	4
*Calculus	MAT-1034 Calculus	4
*Statistics	MAT-2063 Statistics	3

Written Composition	ENG-1083 College Writing <u>Or</u> ENG-1084 College Writing with Laboratory <u>Or for Honors students:</u> HON-1003 Core Conversations HON-1013 Core Conversations II HON-2003 Core Conversations III <u>And</u> <u>Select 1 of the following Literature courses:</u> ENG-1063 Introduction to Literature ENG-2043 Literary Landscapes ENG-2073 British Literature ENG-2083 British Literature II ENG-2153 Classical Literature and Mythology ENG-2163 American Lit: Beginnings to 1945 SPA-3044 Literature of the Spanish Language	6
Communications/Speech	<u>Select 1:</u> COM-1013 Interpersonal Communication COM-1023 Public Speaking COM-1053 Introduction to Communication COM-2003 Small Group Communication COM-2053 Media and Society COM3043 Persuasion MLA-1019 Modern Language Studies SPA-1013 Elementary Spanish SPA-1023 Elementary Spanish II SPA-2004 Intermediate Spanish I SPA-2013 Conversational Spanish	3
[†] Humanities Elective	Multiple options	3
[†] Social Sciences Elective	<u>Select 1:</u> POL-1003 American Politics & Government PSY-1013 General Psychology SOC-1013 Introduction to Sociology	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

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- 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).

STUDENT SIGNATURE

ID

DATE

STUDENT EMAIL

STUDENT PREFERRED PHONE

ADVISOR SIGNATURE

ADVISOR EMAIL