



# UNION UNIVERSITY

## COLLEGE of PHARMACY

### DIRECT ADMISSION PROGRAM WITH OKLAHOMA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

The Union University College of Pharmacy has partnered with Oklahoma Baptist University (OBU) 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 OBU as freshmen automatically qualify for direct admission to the UUCOP.
- A currently enrolled OBU student must complete a minimum of 28 of the required pharmacy prerequisite hours at OBU (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  $\geq 3.0$ ; to be attained by the Spring semester a year prior to matriculation.
- 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 OBU.
- Submit an unofficial copy of student transcript to the UUCOP Office of Admissions at the conclusion of each semester.

#### Prerequisite Courses

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*Biology	Plant Biology (BIOL 2034) AND Animal Biology (BIOL 2044)	8
*General Chemistry	Gen Chem I (CHEM 1105 or CHEM 1054 & 1063) and Gen Chem II (CHEM 1115)	10
*Organic Chemistry	Organic Chem I & II (CHEM 3104 and CHEM 3114)	8
*Human Anatomy and Physiology	Human Anatomy (BIOL 2354) and Human Physiology (BIOL 2364)	8
*Physics	University Physics I (PHYS 2515)	5
*Microbiology	Microbiology (BIOL 2274)	4
*Calculus	Analytic Geometry and Calculus I & II (MATH 2013 and MATH 2023)	6
*Statistics	Basic Statistics	3
Written Composition	English Comp I & II (ENGL 1153 and ENGL 1163)	6
Communications/Speech	Intro to Speech Communication (CMAR 1092)	2
<sup>†</sup> Humanities Elective	FNAR 2063 or FNAR 2163 or PHIL 1043	3
<sup>†</sup> Social Sciences Elective	PSYC 1223 or SOCI 1223 or POLI 1223 or ECON 1203	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.

If you have questions, please contact the UUCOP Director of Admissions and Recruitment, Stephen Hauss, at 731-661-5979 or [shauss@uu.edu](mailto:shauss@uu.edu).



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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. Please send this completed form to Stephen Hauss at [shauss@uu.edu](mailto:shauss@uu.edu) or fax 731-661-5982.

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