



UNION UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE of PHARMACY

DIRECT ADMISSION PROGRAM WITH OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

The Union University College of Pharmacy has partnered with Ouachita Baptist 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 Ouachita Baptist University as freshmen automatically qualify for direct admission to the UUCOP.
- A currently enrolled Ouachita Baptist University student must complete a minimum of 28 of the required pharmacy prerequisite hours at Ouachita Baptist 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 Ouachita Baptist University.
- Submit an unofficial copy of student transcript to the UUCOP Office of Admissions at the conclusion of each semester.

Prerequisite Courses

Prerequisite Courses	Ouachita Baptist University Courses	Credit hours
*Biology or Zoology	General Biology I & II (BIOL 1014; BIOL 1024)	8
*General Chemistry	Gen Chemistry I & II (CHEM 1004; CHEM 1014)	8
*Organic Chemistry	Org Chemistry I & II (CHEM 3004; CHEM 3104)	8
*Human Anatomy and Physiology	Human A&P I & II (BIOL 2014; BIOL 2024)	8
*Physics	College Physics (PHYS 2024) or Univ Physics (PHYS 2054)	4
*Microbiology	Microbiology (BIOL 3014)	4
*Calculus	Calculus (MATH 2014)	4
*Statistics	Elem Stats (MATH 2063) or Statistics (PSYC 2054)	3
Written Composition	Comp I (CORE 1043) & COMP II (CORE 2053) or Technical & Prof Writing (ENGL 3013)	6
Communications/Speech	Fund of Public Speaking (COMM 1003)	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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- 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