

PHARMACY

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PHARMACY
Is Right For **Me**

American Association of
Colleges of Pharmacy **AAACP**
Discover • Learn • Care: Improve Health

Why Pharmacy?

- A well-rounded career
- A vital part of the health care team
- Outstanding career opportunities
- Excellent earning potential
- A trusted profession



Goals of Pharmaceutical Care

- Cure disease
- Eliminate or reduce symptoms
- Stop or slow a disease
- Prevent disease
- Change physiological processes to improve the health of a patient with minimal risk



What Do Pharmacists Do?

- Educate patients about prescription and over-the-counter medications
- Educate and advise other health care professionals on drug decisions for patients
- Provide expertise about the composition of drugs, including chemical, biological and physical properties, as well as on use
- Ensure drug purity and strength
- Ensure drugs do not interact in a harmful way

PHARMACISTS
are
Drug Information Experts

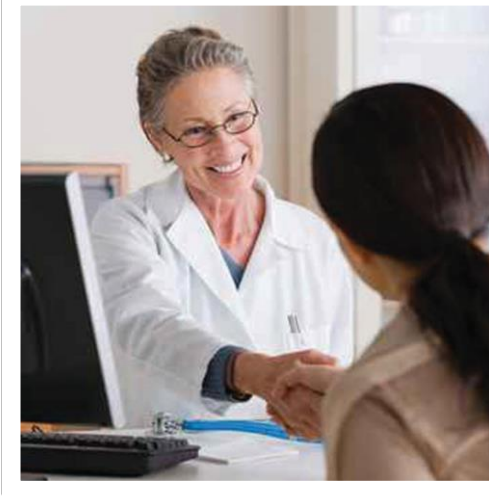


**No one knows more
about medications
than pharmacists**



Pharmacy Career Options

- Academic Pharmacy
- Community Pharmacy
- Government Agencies
- Hospice & Home Care
- Hospital & Institutional Practice
- Independent Ownership
- Long-term Care
- Consulting Pharmacy
- Managed Care Pharmacy
- Medical & Scientific Publishing
- Pharmaceutical Industry
- Trade & Professional Associations
- Uniformed (Public Health) Service



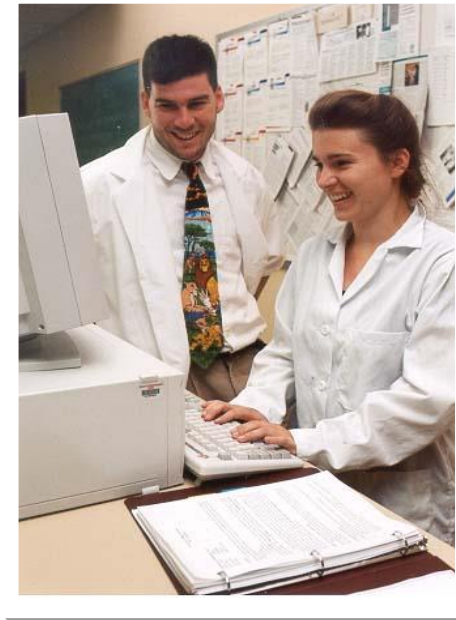
Should YOU Be a Pharmacist?

DO YOU LIKE...

- Chemistry, Biology, and Math?
- To Help People?
- To Solve Problems and Puzzles?

ARE YOU...

- Dependable? Organized?
- Detail-Oriented?
- Able to Communicate Well with Others?



If you answered YES, you may want to consider pharmacy as a career!

Pharmacy Education and Admission Requirements



The PharmD Degree

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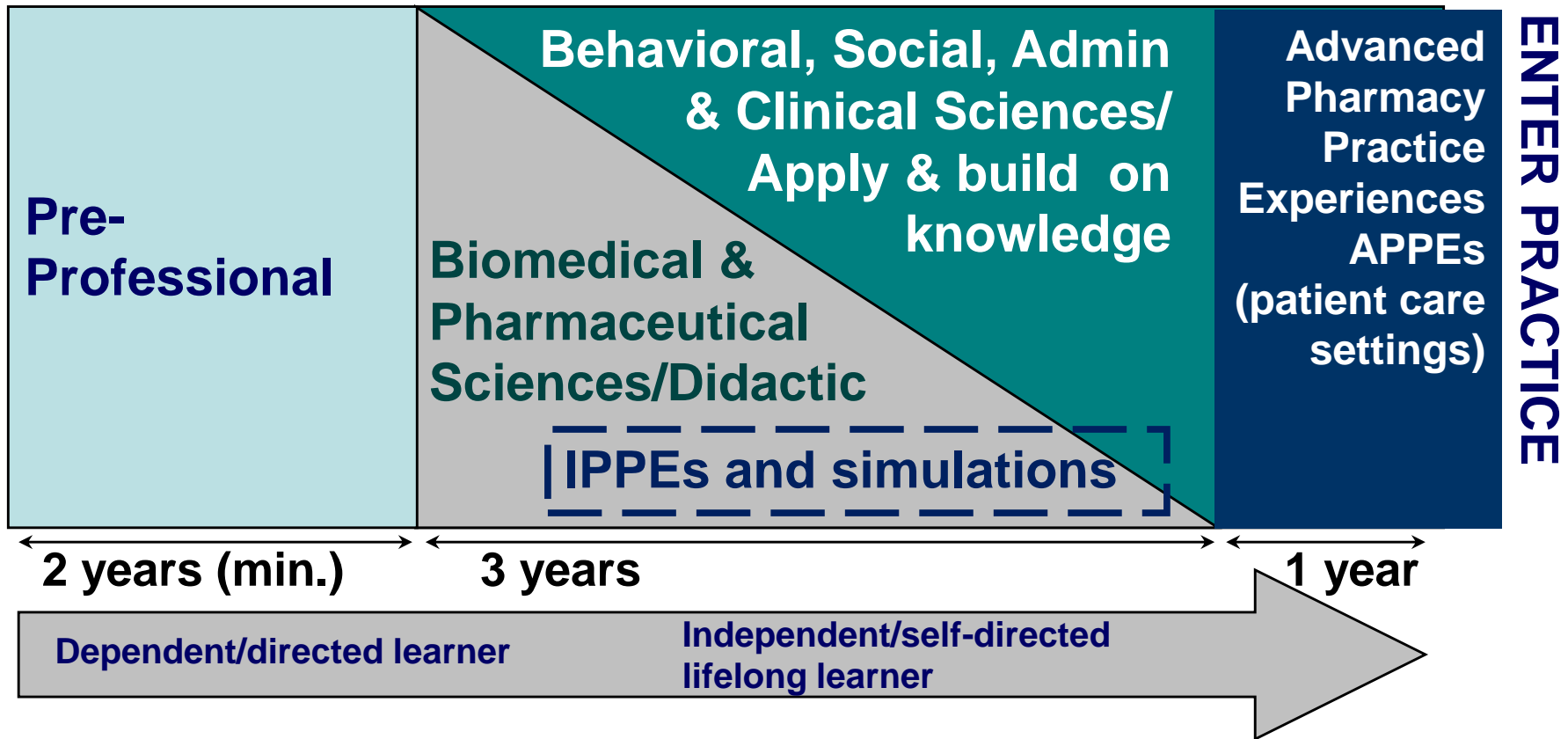


DO



BE

Knowledge + + + + + Skills + + + + + Attitudes/Behavior



Recommended High School Preparatory Classes

SCIENCE

- Chemistry
- Biology

MATHEMATICS

- Algebra I & II
- Geometry
- Trigonometry
- Calculus

OTHER

- English
- History
- Foreign Language
- Computer Programming

* Accelerated or Advanced Placement (AP)
level courses suggested

Common College Course Prerequisites

- General Chemistry I & II
- Organic Chemistry I & II
- General Biology I & II
- Physics
- Microbiology
- Calculus
- Anatomy and Physiology
- English I & II
- Public Speaking

*** These college courses are not required by all pharmacy degree programs and do not represent all of the course requirements for any pharmacy school. Admission prerequisites vary significantly by pharmacy institution.**

Pharmacy School Admission Requirements

The classes required for admission to a pharmacy program vary.

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