Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy
2017-2018 Admission Requirements

Program Details: In pursuing the BSc in Pharmacy, you move towards becoming eligible for a license to practice as a pharmacist. Subjects studied in pharmacy include the pharmaceutical sciences (pharmaceutics), pharmacokinetics, pharmacology, pharmacy practice, etc. Students gain experience through a coordinated experiential program in clinical and research work, as well as opportunities for international exchanges. A BSc (Pharm) degree takes four years, full-time to complete. This does not include the required pre-professional study.

Quota: 130 Students

Minimum Standards: In order to be competitive, students should aim for the following Grade Point Averages: Alberta Students: 3.5 or greater (4-point scale), Out of Province Students: 3.7 or higher (4-point scale).

Please note: meeting the minimum standards does not guarantee admission.

Admission Requirements:

I. Prerequisite Courses:
The minimum requirements for admission to the Pharmacy Program are the satisfactory completion of 30 of transferable work, including:
- General Chemistry (6)
- Organic Chemistry (6)
- English (which may include up to 3 in Writing Studies) (6)
- Biology (Cell Biology) (3)
- Biochemistry (3)
- Mathematics (Calculus) (3)
- Statistics (3)

II. Other Requirements:
1. Test of Spoken English (TSE): Applicants must meet a spoken English requirement.
2. Letter of Intent: Applicants must submit a letter with their application for admission stating their career goals, knowledge of the profession, related experience, and reasons for seeking admission to the Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.
3. Personal Interview
4. Prospective Student - Pharmacist Consultation Form: Students are encouraged to speak with a practicing pharmacist to find out about the profession.

III. Selection Process:
1. The Admissions Committee has the responsibility of selecting from among the applicants those individuals who have demonstrated promise to complete the program successfully and gain licensure as pharmacists. Pharmacy has a quota of 130 places and admission is competitive. The number of applicants exceeds
the number of available spaces and therefore not all qualified candidates will be offered admission.

2. Applicants are ranked primarily on overall academic achievement (emphasizing recent academic performance. Other factors considered in ranking include academic achievement in the prerequisite courses, a demonstrated ability to perform well in a consecutive fall/winter session of full-time study (preferably 30 units), an interview and a Letter of Intent. This letter provides an opportunity for the applicant to convey career goals, knowledge of the profession, employment or volunteer experience, and other personal attributes that might be relevant for consideration by the Admissions Committee.

3. We encourage students to have all of their entrance course requirements in place by June 15. This is when the decisions regarding admission are made. We cannot offer admission to students who lack necessary prerequisite courses.

4. The admissions Committee consists of two pharmacy academic staff members, a practicing pharmacist appointed by the Alberta College of Pharmacists, a representative from the Office of the Registrar, a lay observer from the University Senate, and the faculty’s Associate Dean Academic and Student Services for the faculty as Chairman. The committee meets late in June and decisions are communicated thereafter by the faculty office.

Recommended Alberta High School Prerequisites (or equivalent):

- English Language Arts 30-1
- Biology 30
- Chemistry 30
- Mathematics 30-1

Deadlines:

Application Deadline: March 1, 2017