Program Description

Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy opened its doors in the fall of 2002 and was granted full accreditation status in 2007 from the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education. The specific objective of the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree program is to educate pharmacists in a fully integrated, faith-based environment. The School of Pharmacy offers exceptional academic training and develops competent, compassionate pharmacists whose professionalism integrates the physical, mental, social, and spiritual dimensions of health. Graduates will be able to provide high quality pharmacy care as fully participating members of healthcare teams committed to whole-person care.

Program Length

214 units or 4 years.

Possible Careers

Graduates may work in community pharmacies, ambulatory care, long-term care, and in clinical or hospital settings. In addition they may practice in the pharmaceutical, insurance, law, home health, nuclear medicine, public health, and education arenas. Pharmacists serve as educators to other health care professionals and as disease prevention and health care advisors to patients.

Application Deadlines

Application deadlines for our program are published annually in May for the following academic year's admission. Our program uses the national application service PharmCAS.org. The typical PharmCAS application submission window is from mid-July through early April. Please check the admissions pages on our website for the currently published deadlines.

Admissions Requirements

Admissions Application Procedure

1. All applicants to the PharmD program must complete their application through PharmCAS. The admissions cycle begins in mid-July and ends early April. A minimum of three recommendation letters must be submitted to PharmCAS of which one MUST be from a spiritual advisor or member of a clergy.

2. After PharmCAS verifies your application and sends it to LLU, you will receive an email invitation for the Supplemental Application to Loma Linda University ($75 application fee).

3. Application reviews will be conducted as completed applications are received. After the review process has been finalized, selected applicants will be invited for an interview.

All decisions will be corresponded through postal mail.

Preferred minimum GPA:
Pharmacy, PharmD

- Cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale
- Math/Science GPA of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale
- Passing grade of “C” or better in all of the listed prerequisite courses

**PCAT scores are not required nor evaluated if submitted**

*Applicants who have pharmacy experience and have obtained a Bachelors degree are preferred.*

International students, in addition to meeting the above minimum requirements, are required to:

- Pass the TOEFL test (minimum score of 80 for internet-based and 213 for computer based)
- Submit foreign transcripts for evaluation to WES
- Submit foreign transcripts and evaluations to Loma Linda University no later than April 1st. Documents need to be mailed to:

Admissions Processing  
Loma Linda University  
Loma Linda, CA 92350

**Prerequisites**

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| General Biochemistry or  
  Molecular Biology or  
  Cell Biology                                      | 3              | 4             |
For a detailed description of prerequisites, please visit the School of Pharmacy website.

In rare circumstances a student who has not completed a Bachelor’s degree will be considered for admission into the School of Pharmacy. Applicants without a Bachelor’s degree must complete additional coursework as follows:

- Additional 12 semester or 16 quarter units of coursework in Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Additional 12 semester or 16 quarter units of coursework in Humanities and Fine Arts
- Additional 6 semester or 9 quarter units of English Composition.

**Recommended Additional Courses:**

- Genomics
- Human Genetics
- Histology
- Immunology
- Microbiology
- Physiology

**Recommended Experience:**

It is highly recommended that applicants obtain volunteer or pharmacy work experience.

**Expected Cost of Attendance**

**Academic Year**

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Expected costs for the academic year are based on full time attendance. From year to year, increases are anticipated consistent with inflation in the professional education sector.

Estimated Living Expenses

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Notes

- Amounts are what a student can apply to borrow for the number of months shown in each academic year based on living off campus with a roommate and not with a relative.
- International students need to calculate 12 months of living expenses based on the numbers listed here.
- In general, to qualify for financial aid a student must be enrolled at least half time taking degree requirements. Half time is 6 units in a quarter for undergraduate programs and 4 units in a quarter for graduate programs.