Admissions Information: Master of Pharmacy

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What is Pharmacy

Pharmacy is concerned with medicines and people

It spans drug discovery, development, formulation and clinical practice ensuring the safe and effective use of medications

Careers:

- Community Pharmacy
- Hospital Pharmacy
- Consultant Pharmacy
- Pharmaceutical Industry
- Academia
- Government
UWA Master of Pharmacy

Bachelor Degree (3 years) → Master of Pharmacy (2 years FT) → Pre-registration Internship 1 year, community/hospital

Nationally Accredited

PHARMACIST in Australia and NZ

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) (UWA CPD-Health)
Required Knowledge for entry to Master of Pharmacy

**BSc** in biomedical/biophysical or allied health science

including studies in:
- Physiology
- Chemistry
- Biochemistry
- Molecular Biology
- Maths/Stats

(missing areas may be completed ‘not for degree’ prior to entering program)
Pre-requisite areas:

- Mathematics or Statistics
- Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Physiology
- Molecular Biology

- You only need to complete **ONE** unit in **EACH** of the pre-requisite areas. If you complete more than one, it increases your knowledge in that area, but does not increase your competitiveness for a place in the Master of Pharmacy.

- If you are doing a **Science** degree at UWA, regardless of your major(s), during your degree you must ensure you have completed at least **ONE** unit from **EACH** of the pre-requisite areas. You may be completing these units as part of your major, or you may need to add them as complementary, broadening or elective units.
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The Program

Bachelor Degree → Master of Pharmacy → Internship

Knowledge Areas:
- Biomedicine and Population Health
- Medicinal Chemistry
- Research
- Pharmacy Practice and Pharmacotherapy
- Pharmaceutics
MPharm Course Outline (2 yrs or 4 yrs part time)

Year 1

- Semester 1 (Mar-Jun)  
  Course Work  
  13 weeks

- Semester 2 (Aug-Nov)  
  Course Work  
  13 weeks

- Summer Period (Jan-Feb)  
  COMMUNITY Pharmacy Placement  
  7 weeks

Year 2

- Semester 1 (Mar-Jun)  
  Course Work  
  13 weeks

- Winter Period (Jun-Jul)  
  Hospital Pharmacy Placement  
  7 weeks

- Semester 2 (Aug-Nov)  
  Course Work  
  13 weeks
Internship

Pre-registration Internship

1,824 hours in community or hospital pharmacy – applying knowledge to the workplace

Registration with the Pharmacy Board of Australia
Length of Study - Pharmacy

- Bachelors degree = 3 years (at least)
- Master of Pharmacy (6 trimesters) = 2 years
- Internship = 1 year

6 years = able to practice pharmacy in Australia and New Zealand
Admission Requirements

- Australian undergraduate degree or equivalent – not necessarily from UWA
- Competitive GPA minimum requirement GPA of 5.0
- Prerequisites
- Structured Interview
Interview Notification

- Through email
- Couple of weeks before interviews
- Use email address on application form that can access from home
Interview

- Provide applicants opportunity to display some of the skills and attributes
- Helps improve overall position on the ranked list
- Interview panel of 2
- Structured so can compare like with like
Interview Topics

Same every year:

- Communication Skills
- Graduate Presentation Exercise
- Motivation/Commitment to a career in Pharmacy
Interview Topics

4 from below will be used (different 4 each year)

- Awareness of social diversity
- Ethics and values
- Provision of assistance
- Self-awareness
- Trust and trustworthiness
- Working with others
Application Process

- Domestic applicants apply online via OASys by 30th June

- International applicants apply to the International Centre by 30th June

- Require copy of all academic transcripts and legend with application

- Prerequisites information (complete table shown on next slide)

- Proof of English Language Proficiency
Rankings

- GPA
- Interview

- Each weighted equally
Offers - Domestic

- Will be made by Admissions Centre, application status can be checked anytime via your OASys log on

- Offers will be made from mid October

- Will either be conditional on academic and pre-enrolment requirements or

- Conditional on pre-enrolment requirements (if met academic requirements)
Offers - International

- Made by the International Centre on behalf of the Faculty Admissions Office

- Offers start being made shortly after interviews are held – August/September

- If completed degree and met English language requirement = straight offer (subject to pre-enrolment requirements)

- If not completed degree or not met English language requirement = conditional offer
Deferrals

- Applicants for Pharmacy can defer for up to a year
English Language Requirement

- Students need to meet the UWA English language requirement as part of the admissions process.

- In order to practice one of the professional courses, students who completed their secondary schooling overseas must meet the APHRA English requirements.

- IELTS of 7.5 with no band <7

- For further information refer to:
Pre-enrolment Screening - Domestic

- Before being able to enrol the course applicants will have to have provided information on:
  - Infection Control
  - MRSA testing
  - Police Clearances

- More information will be provided at offer time
Pre-enrolment Screening - International

- Before being able to commence the course applicants will have to have provided information on:
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  - MRSA testing
  - Police Clearances

- More information will be provided at offer time
Fees (120 credit points over 2 years)
(based on 2014* fees)

- Domestic Students (Commonwealth Supported Places)
  - Student Contribution $21,523

- International Students (Full Fee) $77,220

*UWA reviews its course fees annually and fees for 2015 may be slightly higher.
Where to get Information?

- Website
- Brochures
- Email

meddentadmissions@uwa.edu.au

www.meddent.uwa.edu.au

http://www.medpharm.uwa.edu.au/courses/postgraduate/coursework/mstrpharm
Location of Pharmacy on campus

Curnow Building
(Reception G.08)

Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences

Phone: 6488 7500
http://www.medpharm.uwa.edu.au
/courses/postgraduate/coursework/mpharm