

## OVERVIEW

The University of Minnesota PharmD Early Assurance Program provides an opportunity for highly-qualified students to receive admission to the University of Minnesota Crookston and conditional admission to the PharmD program at the #3 ranked College of Pharmacy through a combined admission process. Following admission to the Early Assurance Program, students have up to four years to fulfill program entry requirements.

## BENEFITS TO STUDENTS

For students with a clear goal to pursue a PharmD, the Early Assurance Program can reduce the stress of the PharmD application process and provide extra support and preparation for successful matriculation into the PharmD program. Benefits include:

- Conditional admission to the PharmD program, pending completion of program entry requirements.
- Access to pharmacy advisors to assist with course and extracurricular planning.
- Access to faculty and pharmacist mentors.
- Special workshops on topics such as pharmacy career exploration, study skills, and interview preparation.
- PharmCAS application fee waiver in the year of application to the PharmD program.

### Student Benefits

- ▶ Conditional admission
- ▶ Pre-pharmacy advisors
- ▶ Faculty/pharmacist mentors
- ▶ Workshops
- ▶ Application fee waiver

## HOW TO APPLY

- Undergraduate students interested in this program will apply through the UMN Crookston undergraduate application process by their December 15 priority deadline.
- When applying, students should indicate “pre-pharmacy” and respond to the four short-answer questions specific to this program.
- Students will be reviewed for an early assurance interview with the PharmD program.
- Students will submit a simplified PharmCAS application and complete an affirmation interview one year prior to PharmD entry.



## PREREQUISITE COURSES

For each prerequisite, the minimum course requirements are listed. Recommendations are also provided for some prerequisites to provide guidance on the best preparation for the PharmD curriculum; choosing not to take the recommended courses is not considered by the admissions committee.

PREREQUISITE	REQUIREMENT	UMN CROOKSTON SPECIFIC COURSES
General Biology	1 course with lab required	BIOL 1009
Microbiology	1 course required (lab recommended)	BIOL 2032
Human or Comparative Anatomy	1 course required (lab recommended; human-focused course recommended)	BIOL 3022 BIOL 3027 CHEM 3021
Human or Comparative Physiology	1 course required (lab recommended; human-focused course recommended)	BIOL 2103 & 2104
Advanced Biology	1 course required	BIOL 2103 & 2104
Calculus I	1 course required	MATH 1271
Statistics	1 course required	MATH 1150
General Chemistry	2 courses and 1 lab required (full lab sequence recommended)	CHEM 1061, 1062, 1065, & 1066
Organic Chemistry	2 courses and 1 lab required (full lab sequence recommended)	CHEM 2301, 2302, 2310, & 2311
General Physics	1 course required	PHYS 1101
Social & Behavioral Sciences	2 courses or U.S. bachelor's degree required (bachelor's degree recommended)	Psychology, sociology, economics, anthropology, global issues, geography, political science, etc.
Advanced Composition (Writing)	1 course or U.S. bachelor's degree required (bachelor's degree recommended)	COMP 1013
Introductory Communication	1 course or U.S. bachelor's degree required (bachelor's degree recommended)	COMM 2000 COMM 2002

\*For more information on prerequisite policies and requirements, visit [z.umn.edu/guide](http://z.umn.edu/guide)