## Pharmacy Schools – Canada

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### Quebec:

Pharmacy programs in French are available at Université de Montréal and Université Laval

### Relevant Websites

- American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy: [www.aacp.org](http://www.aacp.org)
- Association of Faculties of Pharmacy of Canada: [www.afpc.info](http://www.afpc.info)
- Canadian Pharmacists Association: [www.pharmacists.ca](http://www.pharmacists.ca)
- Canadian Association of Pharmacy Students and Interns: [www.capsi.ca](http://www.capsi.ca)
- Canadian Society for Pharmaceutical Sciences: [www.cspscanada.org](http://www.cspscanada.org)
- National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities: [www.napra.org](http://www.napra.org)
- Ontario College of Pharmacists: [www.ocpinfo.com](http://www.ocpinfo.com)
- Ontario Pharmacists Association: [www.opatoday.com](http://www.opatoday.com)
- Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada: [www.pebc.ca](http://www.pebc.ca)

### Note:

Entrance into most Pharmacy programs requires the completion of one full year of University. Candidates become eligible to apply during their second year of study. Prerequisite courses are different for each institution therefore refer to the school websites listed above. Applications to Canadian Pharmacy Schools should be submitted to the individual institutions.
FAQ – Pharmacy School

Below is some general information to help you with your applications and questions about Pharmacy School. Remember if you have specific questions please contact the school directly.

What are the academic admissions requirements?

**University of Waterloo:**
- Requires a minimum 75% average (approximately 8 on the McMaster scale), and completion of required courses [https://uwaterloo.ca/pharmacy/future-students/academic-requirements](https://uwaterloo.ca/pharmacy/future-students/academic-requirements)

**University of Toronto:**
- Requires a minimum 70% average (approximately 7 on the McMaster scale)
- Completion of at least 1 year of University
- Completion of specific University and High School courses [http://pharmacy.utoronto.ca/programs/bsc/admissions/overview.htm](http://pharmacy.utoronto.ca/programs/bsc/admissions/overview.htm)
- Completion of the PCAT
- **NOTE:** New academic requirement changes for the 2017 admission cycle [http://www.pharmacy.utoronto.ca/pharmd/academic-requirements-2017](http://www.pharmacy.utoronto.ca/pharmd/academic-requirements-2017)

What are the non-academic admission requirements?

**University of Waterloo:**
- Completion of a Pharmacy Admission Information Form (AIF)
  - Information about you and the activities that you have been involved in
- References
  - 1 reference letter, preferably from a Pharmacist, a Doctor or a Nurse
  - The reference cannot be a relative
- Interview
  - Panel style interview (involving faculty members and practicing pharmacists)
  - Second part of interview consists of completing a reading comprehension/ writing test and a basic mathematical skills test
- Immunization
  - Before acceptance into program you must provide documentation that your immunizations are up to date

**University of Toronto:**
- Completion of an online application form
- Any additional non-academic requirements will be provided in January to candidates who submitted a BScPhm application

When is the application due?

- Applications for the University of Waterloo are due early January for admission the following January
- Applications for the University of Toronto are due between December - January for admission the following September
FAQ - PCAT

What is involved with the PCAT? When should I take it?

- 192 multiple choice questions and 1 Prompt
- Tests 5 different areas: Writing, Biological Processes, Chemical Processes, Critical Reading and Quantitative Reasoning
- Based on undergraduate year 1 academics
- Should be completed the year prior to admission
- www.PCATweb.info

Can I retake it? How many times?

- The PCAT can be retaken and the most recent test score is used. There is no limit to the number of times you can take the PCAT.

For further information please see:

- www.pharmacy.uwaterloo.ca/prospective/faqs.html
- http://pharmacy.utoronto.ca/prospective.htm

FAQ - Pharmacy School in the US

What about Pharmacy Schools in the United States?

There are several Pharmacy Schools across the United States which offer the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm. D) degree which is required to practice Pharmacy in the United States.

For more information on Admissions and a career in Pharmacy, please visit the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) website: http://www.aacp.org/resources/student/pharmacyforyou/admissions/Pages/default.aspx

For more information on individual Pharmacy school requirements, please visit PharmCAS, a website run by the AACP which serves as a centralized application service for students applying to colleges and schools of pharmacy across the United States http://www.pharmcas.org/

Individual schools will have their own admission requirements for prospective students; thus interested applicants are strongly urged to pay attention to all requirements before applying to the school of their choice

Academic requirements will often include but are not limited to:

- Completion of the PCAT
- Meeting the GPA required for admission
- Completion of a certain number of years of post-secondary university education
- Completion of university-level courses which commonly include, but are not limited to Organic Chemistry, General Biology, General Chemistry, Calculus, Physics and English Composition