ONLINE PHARM.D.
A Practical Approach to Meaningful Care

Post-Baccalaureate Online Pharm.D. Program

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY
School of Pharmacy
A program designed to fit your busy schedule.

Our post-baccalaureate Online Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) program—one of the first of its kind in the nation—helps students like you balance school, work and other commitments while taking courses online with minimal on-campus requirements.

Students with a strong background in life science can earn their Pharm.D. in four years. Coursework is completed online with minimal on-campus requirements the first three years, and the fourth year of the program involves rotations in a variety of practice settings that often lead to job offers before graduation.

Online program participants can choose specialized curricular options, including:
- geriatric pharmacotherapy
- pharmacy management
- pharmaceutical research
- academic
- pediatric pharmacotherapy
- acute care
- entrepreneurial pharmacy

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, pharmacists earn annual median salary of $126,120.

Pharmacy Care
We've built our pharmacy program to meet the rigorous demands of the industry while being offered mostly online, with minimal on-campus requirements. Our practical program approach will support you in earning the degree you've always wanted.

Health Care
We provide beneficial research and clinical opportunities for our students through local meaningful partnerships with big players like UPMC and Highmark, and global international programs in such areas as Mumbai.

Community Care
Students will make an impact through actively supporting our neighbors with free healthcare clinics, an on-campus pharmacy and participation in non-profit events like the American Diabetes Association Tour de Cure.

Patient Care
Our students benefit from a level of educational excellence preparing you to care for future patients. Learn to conduct comprehensive patient medication reviews, test blood pressure and blood glucose levels, administer immunizations, and more.
Duquesne's practical program approach and innovative educational technology offers students a strong foundation for future success. Our faculty of well-known researchers and extraordinary teachers provide exceptional professional preparation while mentoring you through your studies.

Fourth-year experiential rotations are the capstones to the Pharm.D. program. Requiring full-time participation, they offer high-level professional preparation. Experiential education experiences take place in a variety of settings throughout the region; Pittsburgh's reputation as a world leader in health care provides exciting opportunities for developing skills through on-site training, but experiential education opportunities are available throughout the country.

With such in-depth preparation, our graduates achieve impressive results. Graduates’ pass rate for the pharmacy licensure exam (NAPLEX) rank consistently higher than the national average, with job placement rates of 99 percent.

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NAPLEX Pass Rate 98.4%

NAPLEX Exam, 2019, 2nd Trimester Results

Our Faculty

Duquesne's award-winning professors are dedicated mentors who make an indelible impact on their students. They help Duquesne student pharmacists develop their careers and become leaders in the profession. Our faculty bring their scholarship directly into the virtual classroom, enhancing how students learn about pharmacy. Their professional contacts enhance students’ real-world opportunities through the school’s experiential education program. And dedicated teachers and advisors are available to provide individual attention at the click of a mouse.

Opportunities for Collaboration

Duquesne's outstanding curricula in the health sciences, including the School of Nursing and the Rangos School of Health Sciences, complement the offerings of the School of Pharmacy. Interprofessional education is emphasized through collaborative research opportunities, lectures, workshops and other programs that expand students’ professional horizons.

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The American Pharmacist Association, the Allegheny County Medical Society and the Mayor of Pittsburgh’s Youth Spotlight Award have honored our service programs.
Our Approach: Innovation in Online Learning

Online PharmD students can access lectures, podcasts, presentations and demonstrations 24/7 through the university’s state-of-the-art webcasting service, Mediasite. The online learning technology allows students to review coursework on computers and all mobile devices.

Our Alumni: Connections That Matter

Duquesne student pharmacists have access to our diverse and active alumni network. Alumni mentors work one-on-one with current students, helping with professional decisions, career opportunities and networking.

Learn more at duq.edu/pharmacy/alumni

Our Campus: The Place to Start

Though the Online Pharm.D. Program requires minimal on-campus interactions, when you do eventually visit Duquesne University, you will see our campus is a jewel: a beautiful, safe, self-contained campus with lots of green spaces and a distinctive view of the Pittsburgh skyline. With its vibrant cultural offerings and growing education and medical research institutions, the city has topped the country’s “Most Livable Cities” lists for over a decade.

Students take advantage of superb fitness facilities at the Power Center and enjoy the year-round concert and entertainment schedule on campus. Duquesne athletes compete in the Atlantic 10 conference of NCAA Division I, and more than 20 national fraternities and sororities have chapters on campus.

Take a virtual tour at duq.edu/tour

The aspect of pharmacy that’s probably the most appealing is that you touch hundreds if not thousands of lives throughout your profession. You’re helping people to improve their health and improve their knowledge about various prescription medications. It’s a very rewarding profession.”

William Moran
Online Pharm.D. ’23

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the Duquesne University School of Pharmacy has excelled in developing student pharmacists into leaders.

A degree of distinction.

Duquesne’s School of Pharmacy has earned national recognition:

• Ranked No. 3 in National Institutes of Health research funding among private schools of pharmacy.
• Awarded the 2015 American Pharmacists Association’s Pinnacle Award, recognizing our efforts to assist patients and caregivers in achieving better outcomes from medications.
• Listed among Pharmacy Technician Review’s Top 75 pharmacy schools in the U.S., as well as the organization’s Top 20 pharmacy schools on the East Coast.
• Ranked 2nd among Catholic schools of pharmacy in U.S. News & World Report

duq.edu/pharmacy/online-pharmd
Our Application Process

We welcome applicants who meet the following application requirements:

- A baccalaureate degree from an accredited U.S. college or university. While the major field of study need not be in the life sciences, applicants must have successfully completed prerequisite courses. Visit duq.edu/online-pharmd for the complete list.
- Request that your undergraduate institution(s) send official college transcripts directly to Duquesne.
- Take the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT) test and have your scores sent directly to the School of Pharmacy.
- Complete your Duquesne application online.

About Duquesne

A nationally ranked Catholic university, Duquesne is recognized for its outstanding academic and research programs. The university has earned accolades from U.S. News & World Report, Princeton Review, Bloomberg Businessweek and Washington Monthly Magazine. Situated in the heart of downtown Pittsburgh, Duquesne is home to nearly 10,000 students in 80 undergraduate and 90 graduate programs across nine schools of study.