Academic Preparation FAQs

Do I need a Bachelor’s Degree?
Yes, you must either already have a bachelor’s degree or complete your bachelor’s degree by the end of the summer of the year in which you wish to enroll.

Do I have to have a minimum GPA to apply?
Yes, you must have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 and overall science GPA of 2.8 in order to apply.

Does it matter which undergraduate schools I attend?
No, as long as the schools you’ve attended are accredited.

Do I have to choose a specific major?
No, however, we recommend a science major because it is easier to fulfill your prerequisite coursework.

Do I have to complete the course requirements before I apply?
No, however, like the bachelor’s degree, your coursework must be completed by the end of the summer of the year in which you wish to enroll.

Can I apply to your program if I am an international student?
No, you must be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or DACA approved to apply. However, we do accept international coursework.

Do you require the PCAT?
No, we do not require any standardized tests.

What is the deadline for applications?
Visit our PharmCAS School Directory Page for current cycle deadlines.

How many applicants do you accept each year?
Each year we accept 65-70 students.

Academic Prerequisites

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For additional information, scan the QR code below to visit our website:
Why Skaggs?

**Community**
Small class sizes
65-70 students and ~60 faculty

Unique Pass/No Pass grading system
Reduces competition and promotes teamwork and collegiality

**Collaboration**
School of Medicine joint curriculum
2nd year classes are taken along with UC San Diego School of Medicine 1st year medical students

Multiple health systems
Numerous and diverse clinical training sites in the local area, including student-run Free Clinic

**Excellence**
High board passing rate
NAPLEX 2017-2022 average: 97%
CPJE 2017-2022 average: 78%

Residency and Fellowship
Match rate 2019-2023 average: 78%

Various Degree Programs Offered
Pharm.D.  |  B.S./Pharm.D.  |  Pharm.D./Ph.D
The Doctor of Pharmacy Program at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of California, San Diego is fully accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, acpe-accredit.org.