Seven-Year B.S./Pharm.D. Program Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Will students who enter UC San Diego as transfers be eligible for the Seven-Year B.S./Pharm.D. Program?
A: No. Unfortunately, only students who enter UC San Diego as freshmen are eligible to apply to this Program. Transfer students will need to apply to the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences during the regular admissions cycle. Refer to the Program Handout and Application.

Q: When will a UC San Diego student apply to the Seven-Year B.S./Pharm.D. Program?
A: A student will apply to the Seven-Year B.S./Pharm.D. Program after completing their first two years as a Pharmacological Chemistry major in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

Q: Can I still apply if I am taking one of the major science requirements during Summer Session II?
A: Yes, you may still apply.

Q: When is the deadline for the PharmCAS application, the Seven-Year B.S./Pharm.D. one-page application, and the Application Processing Fee?
A: Both applications and the fee are due August 31 of that year's admission cycle. Fee waivers are available for qualifying students.

Q. What courses must a student take in their first two years?
A: A student should complete the undergraduate coursework noted on the Program Handout and Application by the end of summer of their second undergraduate year.

Q. Is there a specific major I should declare?
A: Yes, a student must be a Pharmacological Chemistry* major in order to be eligible to apply.

Q. If I am accepted into Pharmacy school as part of the Seven-Year B.S./Pharm.D. Program, when will I earn my bachelor's degree?
A: Your bachelor's degree will confer after your first year of Pharmacy school.

Q. If I take all the right courses, am I guaranteed a spot in the Program?
A: No. The SSPPS Admissions Committee will make offers based on the application materials and interviews.
Q. If I am not accepted to the Seven-Year B.S./Pharm.D. Program, can I still apply to the standard Pharm.D. Program?

A: If you are not granted admissions to the Seven-Year B.S./Pharm.D Program, then the next recommended step is to finish your bachelor’s degree and reapply during the regular admissions cycle.

*If you are a UC San Diego undergraduate student who has declared a different major and wish to change your major to Pharmacological Chemistry, please reach out to the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry to ensure that you will be able to fulfill all of the requirements. For more information regarding the Seven-year B.S./Pharm.D. Program please check our website or e-mail us at bspharmd@health.ucsd.edu