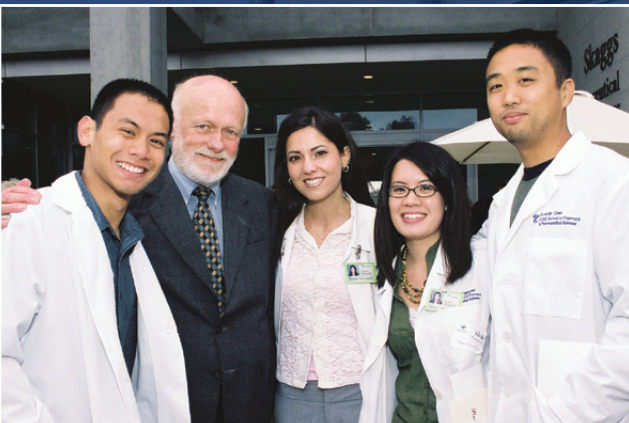


Doctor of Pharmacy Degree Programs



Skaggs School of Pharmacy's Goals

- Provide a premier professional education program leading to the PharmD degree and postgraduate programs, including residencies and fellowships
- Prepare future pharmacy leaders and provide them with the tools to effectively practice in a wide variety of existing and future roles
- Provide graduate education programs in the pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences leading to the PhD degree
- Develop and maintain research initiatives in the basic, clinical and computational sciences to discover new knowledge and new approaches to enhance health care
- Promote interdisciplinary education and co-operation between pharmacy and medicine
- Foster collaboration with other UC San Diego programs and local institutions to enhance and expand education and research opportunities
- Serve as the regional center for dissemination of drug, toxicology and pharmacogenomic information for health professionals and the public.

The Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of California, San Diego was established to serve the needs of the citizens of the state of California, the nation and the global community. As part of a research-intensive university ranked among the top in the United States, Skaggs School of Pharmacy has a three-part mission of education, research and service.

UCSD Skaggs School of Pharmacy offers students an innovative and flexible curriculum leading to the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree, taught by a stellar health sciences faculty in a program closely associated with UCSD School of Medicine as well as the university's outstanding clinical, research and academic programs.

To learn more, visit pharmacy.ucsd.edu/prospective/admissions.shtml.

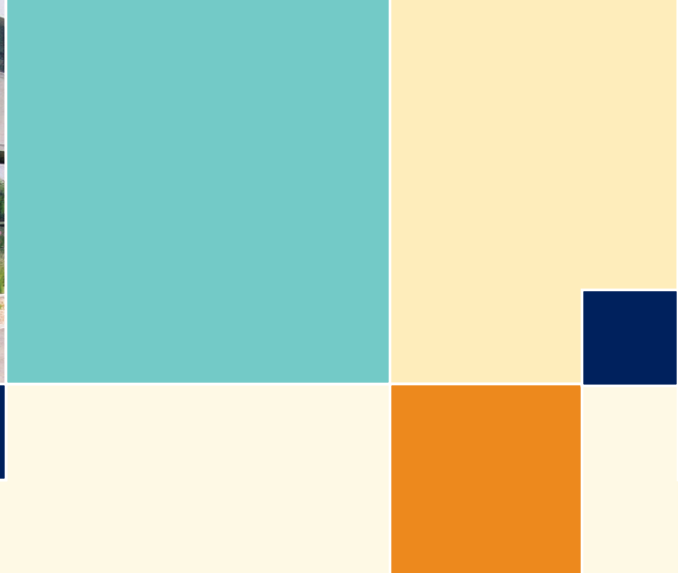
A Unique Program

Students at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy are an integral part of the rich academic and research environment on the UC San Diego campus. Illustrating the interdisciplinary culture of the top-ranked university, pharmacy and medical students develop a foundation in the biomedical sciences in common classes and shared volunteer community clinical experiences.

The programs at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy provide a broad-based curriculum with strong basic science, a diversity of clinical experiences and the opportunity for independent study in a variety of research and clinical settings. The PharmD curriculum also includes basic science and professional practice classes on a health sciences campus with premier educational programs in chemistry, biology, pharmacology and engineering.

The school offers opportunities for internships abroad, taking advantage of its collaborative programs with institutions in Taiwan and Vietnam. Post-degree research internships are encouraged and supported at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy; with more than half of our graduates pursuing post-graduate study, our school has one of the highest percentages in the nation of graduates who go on to research internships.

To learn more, visit pharmacy.ucsd.edu.



Academic Prerequisites

The following table outlines our prerequisite course work. For additional information, visit pharmacy.ucsd.edu/prospective/admissions-reqs.shtml.

Course Requirement	Quarter Unit	Semester Unit
Biology with lab	12	8
Chemistry with lab	12	8
Organic Chemistry with lab	12	8
Physics with lab	8	6
Calculus	8	6
English with writing	8	6
Economics (macro or micro)	4	3
Public Speaking	4	3
Human Behavior	4	3

Academic Preparation FAQs

Do I need a Bachelor's Degree?

Yes, you must complete a bachelor's degree in order to apply to our program.

Do you have to have a minimum GPA to apply?

Yes, you must have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA in order to apply.

Does it matter which undergraduate school I attend?

No, as long as the school is an accredited university.

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 you recommend any other courses?

We recommend that you take some upper-division courses in biochemistry, physiology, or cellular and molecular biology.

What if I received a C grade in a prerequisite course?

All science courses must be completed with a B or better. If you score below a C, you must retake the class for a better grade.

Can I apply to your program if I am an international student?

No, we do not accept international students. You may apply if you are a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident.

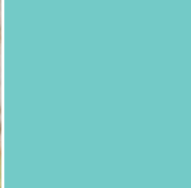
What are the requirements for applying using an international transcript?

There are specific guidelines for this process. For details, visit pharmacy.ucsd.edu/prospective/admissions-intl.shtml.

How many applications do you receive and how many applicants do you interview?

Annually we receive approximately 1,500 applications, interview approximately 280 applicants and accept 60 students into each entering class.





Application

How do I apply to the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences?

Begin the process by visiting www.pharmacas.org and submitting a Web-based application. The application is available in June each year.

Is there an early application or admissions policy?

No, applications are not reviewed until after the deadline.

Do I have to complete the course requirements before I apply?

No; however, it is a good idea to have completed most of your science courses. Your coursework must be completed by the end of the summer of the year in which you wish to enroll.

Do you require a supplemental application?

Yes. The application is available every June at pharmacy.ucsd.edu/prospective/admissions-sup.shtml.

What is the deadline for applications?

The deadline for both applications is Nov. 1. When Nov. 1 falls on a weekend, the deadline is the following Monday.

What will happen after I submit my applications?

You will hear from the school only if your application is incomplete. If your application is complete, you will hear from us by early January.

How many letters of recommendation are required?

Three letters submitted through your PharmCAS application are required. For more information, visit www.pharmacas.org/collegesschools/schooluc_sdpage.htm.

When are interviews held?

If you are invited for an interview, it will be in January or February. You will be notified of the admissions committee's decision no later than mid-March.

What does the interview consist of?

Usually a faculty member and a student pharmacist interview applicants. This is a chance for the school to get to know you and for you to ask questions. We try to make it a non-stressful experience.

Cost of Study

For the most current information on the cost of tuition and fees for our program please visit ucsd.edu/current-students/finances/fees/registration/index.html.

Financial Aid

Students are encouraged to apply for eligible federal and state financial aid programs. Students should file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on or after January 1. Financial aid materials will be made available to those students who are offered admission.

Special Programs

BS/PharmD

This program is available to students who entered UC San Diego as normal freshman and declared one of the majors offered in the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry. Upon completion of the second undergraduate year at UC San Diego and the required mathematics and science courses, students may apply for admission to the combined BS/PharmD program. This program should take a total of seven years to complete. For more information, visit pharmacy.ucsd.edu/prospective/programs.shtml.

PharmD/PhD

The program is a joint program between the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and select graduate programs on the UC San Diego campus. A distinction between the PharmD/PhD and other joint doctoral programs is that training for the PharmD/PhD degree is envisioned to be closely aligned with the drug-development process as well as therapeutic practices and outcomes.

Students do not apply to the program at the time of their application for admission to the Skaggs School of Pharmacy. Students are selected from first- and second-year classes that are currently enrolled in the Skaggs School of Pharmacy. For more information, visit pharmacy.ucsd.edu/prospective/programs.shtml.



Quick Links

Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
pharmacy.ucsd.edu

UCSD Health Sciences Financial Aid
meded.ucsd.edu/asa/financial_aid

UCSD Graduate/Professional Student Housing
hdh.ucsd.edu/arch/gradhousing.html

California Residency
ucsd.edu/current-students/finances/fees/residence/index.html

PharmCAS Application
www.pharmcas.org

Supplemental Application
pharmacy.ucsd.edu/prospective/admissions-sup.shtml

California Board of Pharmacy
pharmacy.ca.gov

Accreditation Status

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.

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