



# Your Fast Track to Becoming a Pharmacist

## Together, We'll Build Your Future

### The **Dual Acceptance Program**

(DAP) allows you to complete prerequisite courses during two years at one of our partner schools, then transition into Midwestern University's College of Pharmacy (MWU COP) to begin a professional three-year Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) program.



**College of Pharmacy**  
Downers Grove, IL  
Glendale, AZ

*For more information about this program, please contact:*

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### **Partner Undergraduate Schools**

Our partner schools include:

#### Four-Year Schools:

- [Benedictine University](#)
- [Dominican University](#)
- [Elmhurst University](#)
- [Hebrew Theological College](#)
- [Illinois Institute of Technology](#)
- [Lewis University](#)
- [Loyola University Chicago](#)
- [Rockford University](#)
- [University of St. Francis](#) (Indiana)
- [University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee](#) (including their two-year satellite campuses)

#### Community Colleges:

- [College of DuPage](#)
- [Maricopa Community Colleges](#) (Arizona)
- [Moraine Valley Community College](#)
- [Prairie State College](#)

### **Midwestern University College of Pharmacy**

Founded in 1991, the College of Pharmacy, offers the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree on each of its two campuses: Downers Grove, IL and Glendale, AZ. You may choose to attend either campus. Our **three-year curriculum** emphasizes patient-centered care, communications, clinical skills, and uses group learning approaches to foster the team-oriented healthcare environment seen in current practice.

The College of Pharmacy is part of Midwestern University, founded in 1900 as an academic community that is committed to the health sciences. Professional programs include osteopathic medicine, dental medicine, veterinary medicine, optometry, physical therapy, and many more.

### **Did You Know?**

#### **Pharmacists today ...**

- Are at the **forefront** of healthcare and its innovations
- Can pursue **specialty practice areas**, such as pediatrics, cardiology, oncology, or emergency medicine
- Practice in a **variety of settings** including hospitals, clinics, corporate offices, etc.
- Earn an average annual **salary of \$128,000**, per the Bureau of Labor Statistics
- Are **medication experts** on healthcare teams
- Merge science, patient care, technology, business, and math skills
- Are one of the most **highly trusted** professionals
- Have good communication, teamwork, and leadership skills
- Are in demand with job security

#### **Program Benefits**

- Program interview completed during the initial admissions process, so you can focus on your prerequisite courses.
- Letters of Recommendation are not required.
- Early decision of conditional Pharm.D. program acceptance granted.
- Clear roadmap of pre-pharmacy courses to complete at your selected partner school.
- Attendance at Midwestern University College of Pharmacy, where you will become a compassionate pharmacist who practices patient-centered care.
- Partnership with a pharmacy faculty mentor, who is committed to helping you succeed.

## Application

The free application and instructions are available at [www.midwestern.edu/DAP](http://www.midwestern.edu/DAP).

## Enrollment Options & Eligibility

You may enroll in one of two tracks:

**Track 1:** For seniors in high school.

### Eligibility:

- Have a weighted cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Submit the following by **November 1<sup>st</sup>** (early application) or **February 15<sup>th</sup>** to MWU :
  - Completed application
  - Official high school transcript
- Participate in an Interview Day, when invited to do so
- Upon acceptance: Complete all prerequisite coursework (listed below) at the partner school within two years.\*

**Track 2:** For first-year students at our partner schools.

### Eligibility:

- In good standing at our partner school
- Completing your first year of full-time coursework at our partner school
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and a at least a C in each course.
- Submit the following by **June 6<sup>th</sup>** to MWU:
  - Completed application
  - Transcripts upon completion of the spring semester
- Participate in an Interview Day, when invited to do so
- Upon acceptance: Complete all prerequisite coursework (listed at right) at our partner school within two years of program acceptance.\*

\* Please note: Each new class of pharmacy students at MWU COP begins the Pharm.D. program in early June only. Mid-year enrollments are not available at MWU.



## Program Requirements and Prerequisite Courses

To retain your admission into MWU COP, you must successfully complete the following DAP requirements:

- All pre-pharmacy courses must be completed at the partner school within two years (Track 2: within two years of program acceptance).
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 must be achieved at the end of the summer term after the first full year of prerequisite coursework at the partner school. At that time, you will then submit your transcripts to MWU via PharmCAS for a progress check.
- You must earn a minimum grade of "C" in all required courses.
- You may repeat one course one time for a higher grade. Both attempts will be included in the cumulative GPA calculation.

As you progress through your prerequisite coursework, you will meet periodically with your partner school advisor. We will also stay in contact with you. And then in the fall prior to your transition to MWU COP, our MWU Admissions Office will reach out to you to request an official partner school transcript via a free abbreviated PharmCAS application. We will provide you with complete instructions at that time.



For complete information, including specific prerequisite course listings for each partner school, please visit our Website:

[www.midwestern.edu/DAP](http://www.midwestern.edu/DAP)



## Prerequisite Course Requirements

Students must successfully complete the following courses listed below at the selected partner school:

MWU College of Pharmacy Prerequisites	Minimum Sem. Hrs.
English Composition (2 courses)	6
Speech (Public Speaking)	3
Biology, with Labs (2 courses)	8
Anatomy/Physiology	3
General Chemistry I and II, with Labs (2 courses)	8
Organic Chemistry I and II, with Labs (2 courses)	8
Physics	3
Calculus	3
Economics	3
Statistics	3
Social/Behavioral Science (2 courses)	6
General Education Electives (3 courses)	8

*Placement exams may be required for some courses, so you may need to take additional hours to complete the prerequisites listed above. To complete the program within the two-year timeframe, it may be necessary to take courses in summer and/or other abbreviated academic terms.*