



Your Fast Track to Becoming a Pharmacist

Together, We'll Build Your Future

Benedictine University

Lisle, IL

Two dynamic universities have joined forces to offer you an opportunity to be accepted into pharmacy school directly out of high school or in your first year at Benedictine University (BenU).

The Dual Acceptance Program

(DAP) allows you to complete prerequisite courses during two years at BenU, 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

Midwestern University and Benedictine University are Equal Opportunity Educators/Employers.

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 1st** (early application) or **February 15th** 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 on next page) at BenU within two years.*

Track 2: For first-year students at Benedictine University.

Eligibility:

- In good standing at Benedictine University
- Completing your first year of full-time coursework at BenU
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and a at least a C in each course.
- Submit the following by **June 6th** to MWU:
 - Completed application
 - BenU transcripts upon completion of the spring semester
- Participate in an Interview Day, when invited to do so
- Upon acceptance: Complete all prerequisite coursework (listed on next page) at BenU 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.

Application

The free application and instructions are available at www.midwestern.edu/DAP.

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.
- 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.

For more information about this program, please contact:

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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.

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 Benedictine University 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 Benedictine University. 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 Benedictine University 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 Benedictine University transcript via a free abbreviated PharmCAS application. We will provide you with complete instructions at that time.

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



Prerequisite Benedictine University Course Requirements

Students must successfully complete the following courses listed below:

MWU COP Prerequisites	Minimum Sem. Hrs.	Benedictine University Courses	Sem. Hrs.
English Composition	6	WRIT 1101 Argumentative Writing	3
		WRIT 1102 Research Writing	3
Speech (Public Speaking)	3	COMM 1100 Basic Speech Communication	3
Biology, with Labs	8	BIOL 1197 + BIOL 1195 Principles of Organismal Biology, with Lab	4
		BIOL 1198 + BIOL 1199 Principles of Biology, with Lab	4
Anatomy	3	BIOL 3203 Human Anatomy	4
General Chemistry I and II, with Labs	8	CHEM 1113 + CHEM 1114 General Chemistry I, with Lab	4
		CHEM 1123 + CHEM 1124 General Chemistry II, with Lab	4
Organic Chemistry I and II, with Labs	8	CHEM 2242 + CHEM 2243 Organic Chemistry I, with Lab	4
		CHEM 2247 + CHEM 2248 Organic Chemistry II, with Lab	4
Physics	3	PHYS 1113 General Physics I	3
Calculus	3	MATH 2210 Calculus I	4
Economics	3	ECON 1100 Introduction to Economics (Alternatives are ECON 2101 or ECON 2102)	3
Statistics	3	MATH 2229 Biostatistics	3
Social/Behavioral Science	6	Any two courses within the areas of psychology, sociology, anthropology, and/or political science.	6
General Education Electives	8	Any three courses within the areas of humanities, foreign language, fine arts, business, and/or computer science. Courses may not be related to science, math, healthcare, or physical education.	8

Placement exams may be required for some courses, so you may need to take additional hours to complete the courses listed above. To complete the program within the two-year timeframe, summer courses may be necessary. This list is subject to change. Please consult your DAP advisor at Benedictine University for any updates.