

Doctor of Pharmacy, PharmD

Combined Programs

PharmD/MPH

The College of Pharmacy and the College of Public Health offer the combined Doctor of Pharmacy/Master of Public Health program. The combined program requires 42 s.h. of graduate credit in addition to the requirements of the PharmD degree. Students who complete the program are granted both degrees.

The PharmD/MPH program helps students develop expertise in public health related to pharmacotherapy, health promotion, disease prevention, and medication safety. Its graduates may work in areas of interest common to pharmacy and public health, such as spread and treatment of disease, community health, and immunology; bioterrorism, terrorism, and preparedness; genetics; insurance; managed care; family and juvenile health; and protection of special populations. Employment opportunities are available in hospitals and clinics and with health care providers; private practice; insurance and managed care organizations; local, county, state, and federal government; public health governmental agencies; and colleges and universities.

Separate admission to each degree program is required. Applicants must be admitted to both programs before they may be admitted to the combined degree program.

See the Master of Public Health, MPH (College of Public Health) in the catalog to learn about curriculum and admission requirements.

PharmD/MS in Informatics (Health Informatics Subprogram)

The College of Pharmacy and the Graduate College offer the combined Doctor of Pharmacy/Master of Science in informatics with a health informatics subprogram. The combined degree program requires completion of 34 s.h. beyond the bachelor's degree. Students who complete the program are granted both degrees.

The PharmD/MS program assists students to develop special expertise in information technology, including management of electronic health records, health information exchange standards, electronic prescribing, medication management, decision support, as well as other competencies. Graduates will be prepared for employment in industry or academic institutions with skills to address pharmacotherapy issues as well as information technology management.

Separate application to each degree program is required. Applicants must be admitted to both programs before they may be admitted to the combined degree program. It is recommended that students apply to the Graduate College for admission to the MS program before entering the spring semester of their first year in the pharmacy program.

For information about the Master of Science degree, see the MS in informatics (Graduate College) in the catalog.