



• Doctor of Pharmacy *Application Checklist*

Admission to the Doctor of Pharmacy program is competitive, and all applications are considered based on merit. We use the PharmCAS system to process our applications.

PharmCAS Application Process

- PharmCAS Application at pharmcas.org
- Academic Reference:** This should be completed by a college math or science professor who has taught you in class. If your school provides recommendations by committee, this is preferred.
- Nonacademic Reference:** A pharmacist is preferred, but this may be from anyone who has supervised you in a work setting. Letters from family members will not be accepted.
- Transcripts:** An official transcript must be sent to PharmCAS from each school you have attended. Please use the PharmCAS transcript request form.

Please Note: McWhorter School of Pharmacy does not require you submit a PCAT exam score for admission.

- Academic Update:** At the end of the fall and spring term, go to your online application at pharmcas.org and update your profile with your new grades. Once you have updated your online profile, resubmit your application to send your new grades to PharmCAS for verification. You also must request that an updated copy of your official transcript, with all grades posted, be sent directly to PharmCAS. Please print and use the PharmCAS transcript request form.
- Supplemental information will be included on the PharmCAS program specific “Questions” area for Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy.
- An unofficial copy of an ACT or SAT score should be uploaded to the “Documents” section of the PharmCAS application for Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy. See website for waiver information.
- If you have a National Pharmacy Technician Certification (PTCB), you may also upload a copy of your license to the “Documents” section of the PharmCAS application for Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy.
- Reapplication Process Information:** Individuals reapplying to McWhorter School of Pharmacy must complete a new PharmCAS application. Applicants may replace either or both the academic or nonacademic recommendation, but applicants will be required to replace at least one of them.

Prerequisite Course Guide

COURSE	CREDITS	COURSE	CREDITS
Humanities		Social Sciences	
English Composition	6	Public Speaking	3
English or American Literature	3	World History (3) or Western Civilization (3) or U.S. History (6)	3 or 6
Total Credits Required	9	Total Credits Required	6-9
Natural and Applied Sciences		Liberal Arts	
Calculus I	4	Sociology or Psychology	3
Human Anatomy and Physiology	8	Other Liberal Arts*	9
Microbiology	4	Total Credits Required	12
General Chemistry	8	Physical Activity	
Organic Chemistry	8	Two Physical Activity Courses or One Lifetime Fitness/Wellness Course	2
Elementary Statistics (Math or Biology Based)	3	Total Credits Required	2
Total Credits Required	35		

Tuition and Fees for 2019-20

Tuition: \$19,550 per semester

Fees/Books/Supplies: \$2,000 (estimate)

More specific information is available at
samford.edu/pharmacy/tuition-and-fees.

*The remaining liberal arts credits may be chosen from political science, history, literature, foreign language, philosophy, psychology, sociology, geography, economics, religion, and either art, music or drama appreciation (no more than three credits may be in appreciation courses).



Admission Requirements

With the understanding that an applicant must have a GPA of at least 2.0 overall and in the math/science prerequisites to be considered, the applicant can be invited for an interview if any one of the following four criteria is met:

1. Overall GPA greater than or equal to 2.75
2. General education prerequisite GPA greater than or equal to 3.0 and McWhorter School of Pharmacy math/science prerequisite GPA greater than or equal to 2.75
3. GPA of most recent 30 credit hours (must include at least 6 credits of math or science) greater than or equal to 3.20
4. Those with a career or history of service to one's country or community:
 - US Armed Forces/veterans
 - Full-time 1st responders (police, EMT, fire)
 - Missionaries/Full-time ministry
 - Eagle scout/gold award
 - Full-time primary, secondary or post-secondary educator
 - Other licensed health professional above technician level
 - Others taken under consideration on a case-by-case basis

The applicant must complete Organic Chemistry 1 by the end of the spring semester of the application cycle to be eligible for admission.

Final admission decisions are based on a combination of application review scores and interview scores.



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