

# College of Pharmacy

Program Description	Type	Degree
Pharmacy, Pharm.D ( <a href="https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/college-of-pharmacy/doctor-of-pharmacy/">https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/college-of-pharmacy/doctor-of-pharmacy/</a> )	Degree	Pharm.D.
Joint Doctor of Pharmacy and Master of Business Administration ( <a href="https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/college-of-pharmacy/doctor-of-pharmacy-and-mba/">https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/college-of-pharmacy/doctor-of-pharmacy-and-mba/</a> )	Degree	Pharm.D., M.B.A.
Joint Doctor of Pharmacy and Master of Public Health ( <a href="https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/college-of-pharmacy/doctor-of-pharmacy-and-mph/">https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/college-of-pharmacy/doctor-of-pharmacy-and-mph/</a> )	Degree	Pharm.D., M.P.H.
Pharmaceutical Sciences, Minor ( <a href="https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/college-of-pharmacy/minor-pharmaceutical-sciences/">https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/college-of-pharmacy/minor-pharmaceutical-sciences/</a> )	Minor	

## L.S. Skaggs College of Pharmacy

The Doctor of Pharmacy degree focuses on improving clinical outcomes and improving quality of life. The mission of the L.S. Skaggs College of Pharmacy is to develop caring and collaborative pharmacists and scholars who improve health outcomes through transformative research and patient-centered care.

## Accreditation

The Idaho State University Doctor of Pharmacy program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, 190 South LaSalle Street, Suite 2850, Chicago, IL 60603, 312/664-3575; FAX 866/228-2631, website <https://www.acpe-accredit.org/>.

The Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education is recognized by the United States Department of Education as the national agency for accreditation of professional degree programs in pharmacy and continuing pharmacy education programs. The following link will connect you to the ACPE website that lists the standards for accreditation for all US schools and colleges of pharmacy: <https://www.acpe-accredit.org/>.

## Professional Standards

Students enrolled in the programs of the L.S. Skaggs College of Pharmacy are expected to endorse professional standards by subscribing to the Oath of a Pharmacist. Students are also expected to abide by the American Pharmacists Association Code of Ethics for Pharmacists.

## Progression Requirements

Students accepted into the professional PharmD program of the L.S. Skaggs College of Pharmacy will be permitted to progress to the next semester in the professional curriculum only when all of the required courses and assessment activities have been completed. Completion is defined to mean that a grade point average of C (2.0) or better must be maintained in required professional courses, as well as required courses outside the College. Any student receiving a grade of D in a required or elective course must successfully retake that course per the College's Course Remediation and Course Retake Policy. Students will be allowed to reassess and/or retake a maximum of 3 courses total during the program.

A student who intends to take a required Idaho State University pharmacy course at another institution must receive written permission from the Associate Dean

for Academic Programs at the ISU L.S. Skaggs College of Pharmacy. This permission must be received prior to enrolling in the course.

## Experiential Curriculum

Students must complete a specified number of hours of Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experiences (IPPE), Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences (APPE), and Interprofessional Education (IPE). IPPE must involve practice experiences in community and institutional pharmacy settings as well as supervised direct patient care responsibilities. Forty-two (42) weeks of the fourth year of the Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum are spent in Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences (APPE). This requirement assures that the student becomes competent in applying information and concepts learned in the classroom to the practice of pharmacy. Practice sites are assigned by the College. Decentralization of off-campus programs is a commitment the College has made to provide students with the best possible educational experiences. Students should clearly understand that they may be required to complete at least part of their last year at off-campus sites. Since patient care is a continuous activity, some off-campus experiences are conducted outside the traditional work day (shift work). Personal expenses including travel, food, and lodging while completing off-campus experiences are the student's responsibility.

## Pharmacy Intern Registration

All students are required to be licensed interns during all phases of the clinical program. A background check is required prior to intern registration. An additional intern registration is required in other states in which a student does any portion of their clinical program (except for U.S. Public Health Service sites).

## Graduation Requirements

All students graduating from Idaho State University with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree are expected to complete the General Education Requirements (<https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/academicinformation/generaleducation/>) as described for the Bachelor of Science degree.

To be eligible for graduation in pharmacy, a student must have earned an average GPA of 2.0 or better on all credits applied toward the minimum graduation requirements of the curriculum. He or she also must have earned an average GPA of 2.0 or better for all required pharmacy courses applied toward graduation, including elective courses. A minimum of 228 semester credits is required for graduation with the Doctor of Pharmacy degree.

Students are responsible for meeting degree requirements in proper sequence. Frequent consultation between student and faculty advisor is encouraged.

## Licensure

For graduation with the Doctor of Pharmacy degree, students are required to complete a program of 1,740 hours of structured practical experiences in pharmacy practice environments administered by the College. Successful completion of the experiential education curriculum required for the Doctor of Pharmacy degree will satisfy all of the practical experience requirements for pharmacist licensure in Idaho and Alaska.

Following completion of all requirements, candidates must pass the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX) to obtain licensure to practice pharmacy in Idaho and Alaska. If a student plans to practice pharmacy in states other than Idaho, they must meet the specific licensing requirements of each state (e.g., Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE)). For

more information please see our professional licensure disclosure statement on our website.

## **Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience (APPE) Descriptions**

**Ambulatory Care** - Integration of basic pharmacy-related concepts to patient care as a member of an interdisciplinary health care team in the ambulatory care setting.

**Advanced Community** - Emphasizes the distributive, communicative, and managerial aspects of community pharmacy practice. For this experience, students are assigned to selected community pharmacy preceptors.

**Advanced Institutional** - Emphasizes the distributive, communicative, and managerial aspects of hospital pharmacy practice. For this experience, students are assigned to selected hospital pharmacy preceptors.

**Medicine** - This experience is designed to integrate the knowledge from previous didactic courses in pharmacology, clinical chemistry, and pathophysiology for application encountered in general medicine practice.

**Patient Care I & II** - Provides practical experience in providing care directly to various patient populations being treated for or suspected of having physical or mental health issues. Patient care includes both, face-to-face and telehealth- based care; including preventive care.

**Non-patient Care I & II** - Provides practical experience in areas related to patient care but does not involve care for a specific patient.

**L.S. Skaggs College of Pharmacy Faculty**  
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