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## Career Advising Guide

# PHARMACY AT ST. JOHN FISHER

**Pharmacists** prepare and dispense drugs. They understand chemicals and their properties, drug compounds and their use. Pharmacists advise health care providers, such as physicians and dentists, on the selection, dosages, interactions, and side effects of medications on patients. Many pharmacists practice in retail or chain store pharmacies. Others practice in hospitals, firms that make pharmaceuticals, public health care centers and government regulatory agencies.

**Degree:** A license to practice pharmacy is required in all States, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories. Pharmacy programs in the United States grant the doctor of pharmacy (Pharm.D.), which requires at least six years of post-secondary study. Taking the Pharmacy College Admission Test (PCAT) is required. The test score is a criterion for admission. Contact St. John Fisher College for application procedures and instructions.

\* Be sure your academic transcripts arrive on time. Follow up on your application to make sure all information is complete.

**Criteria of Importance for Acceptance Include:**

- Essays and letters of recommendation play a significant role in the Admissions decision- highlight your research experience, awards and honors.
- Experience with patient care is highly desirable.
- Related work experience is beneficial.
- Obtain and demonstrate leadership skills.
- Attain a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0.

**Completion of these criteria does not guarantee acceptance into the Pharm. D program. Admission is competitive.**

For application procedures and instructions visit St. John Fisher’s website at: [www.sjfc.edu/pharmacy/admissions.asp](http://www.sjfc.edu/pharmacy/admissions.asp)

**MCC Prerequisite Courses for St. John Fisher School of Pharmacy:**

BIO 155 - General Biology I	MTH 200/210 – Applied Calculus/Calculus I
BIO 156 - General Biology II	MTH 160 – Statistics I
BIO 209 – Microbiology or other 4 cr. Bio course	
	CHE 151 – General College Chemistry I
Social Science courses (12 credits)	CHE 152 – General College Chemistry II
	CHE 251 - Organic Chemistry I
ENG 101/200 - English Composition	CHE 252 - Organic Chemistry II
ENG 105 or other Literature course	
	PHY 145 - College Physics I
SPT 141/142/147 – Speech Comm. course	or
	PHY 154 - General Physics I
ECO 111/112 – Micro/Macro Economics	or
	PHY 161 - University Physics I

**Please note:** while every effort is made to ensure that the information in this guide is accurate, students are advised to meet with a counselor in the MCC Career Center and to contact transfer institutions for specific course requirements and the most up-to-date information.