

Belmont University College of Pharmacy

Pharmacy School Guide Map

Recommended Timeline of Courses to Complete **Enter After Completing 63+ Credit Hours***

(Degree Requirements/Sequencing may impact ability to strictly follow guide map)*

| First Year | |
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| BIOL 1110/1110L: Principles of Biology I/Lab (4 credit hours) | CHEM 1110/1110L: General Chemistry I/Lab (4 Credit Hours) |
| BIOL 1120/1120L: Principles of Biology II/Lab (4 credit hours) | CHEM 1120/1120L: General Chemistry II/Lab (4 Credit Hours) |
| ENGL 1010: Rhetoric and Composition I or ENGL 1011: Rhetoric and Composition I w/Writing Tutorial (3-4 Credit Hours) | ENGL 1020: Rhetoric and Composition II (3 Credit hours) <i>Recommended</i> |
| Math 1130: College Algebra or MATH 1710: Precalculus I or MATH 1720: Precalculus II or MATH 1730: Combined Precalculus (3-4 Credit hours)** | MATH 1830: Calculus for Mgmt., Life and Social Sciences, or MATH 1950: Calculus I (3-4 Credit Hours) |
| Second Year | |
| Literature General Education Course (3 credit hours) | THSP 1090: Public Speaking (3 credit hours) |
| Fine Arts and Humanities General Education Course (3 credit hours) | College Level Elective (3 credit hours)*** |
| MATH 2100: Introductory Statistics (3 credit hours) | Social Science General Education Course (3 credit hours) |
| CHEM 3010/3010L: Organic Chemistry I/Lab (4 Credit Hours) | CHEM 3020/3020L: Organic Chemistry II/Lab (4 Credit Hours) |
| Third Year | |
| College Level Elective (3 credit hours)*** | College Level Elective (3 credit hours)*** |
| PHYS 1030/1030L: General Physics - Mechanics & Heat/Lab (4 Credit Hours) | Social Science General Education Course (3 credit hours) |
| Prepare for and submit PharmCAS application | |
| * Applicants who will not earn a baccalaureate degree must met the general education requirements, college elective hours, and the math and science prerequisites (listed above) to total at least 63 college level credit hours. | |
| **MATH 1130, 1710, 1720, and/or 1730 are prerequisites for MATH 1830 and/or MATH 1950. Additionally these math courses may be required as part of a degree requirement | |
| *** Applicants who will not earn a baccalaureate degree must complete at least 63 credit hours to apply to Belmont University College of Pharmacy | |

PCAT Requirements

Belmont does not require the PCAT, but candidates may strengthen their application with competitive scores.

Early Decision Application

| Application Format | Important Dates |
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| Belmont University College of Pharmacy Participates in the Early Decision application through PharmCAS. The deadline is September 3. In addition to completing the PharmCAS application, you must arrange for PharmCAS to receive all of your official transcripts and fees by the deadline of the early admission cycle. The Early Decision program is a binding option for applicants who have decided that a particular pharmacy degree program is their first choice. An applicant may only apply for Early Decision at one institution. If an applicant is offered admission to the institution, he or she is obligated to accept the offer and will not be permitted to apply to any other PharmCAS institutions. If not accepted for Early Decision, applicant may then apply to other programs. Refer to the PharmCAS application fee schedule to determine the cost to apply to each additional program if admission was not granted via early decision. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Decision Application deadline: September 3 • Interview Days: Prior to October 11 • Decisions Announced: By October 18 • Reply Date for Accepted Candidates: November 1 |

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Timeline – Freshman and Sophomore Year

| <i>Year 1 Classes</i> | <i>Year 1 Experience</i> | <i>Year 2 Classes</i> |
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| Complete: Course sequences: General Chemistry, General Biology, English Composition, and Algebra/Calculus | Join clubs/get involved. Begin working with PHPA to identify areas to develop. Begin locating Pharmacist to interview and shadow | Complete: Organic Chem. sequence, Literature general education course, Public Speaking, Statistics, College Level Elective, and Social Science and Fine Arts General Elective course |

Timeline – Junior Year, Application, and Acceptance

| <i>Year 2 Experience</i> | <i>Year 3 Classes</i> | <i>Year 3 Experience</i> |
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| Begin shadowing, volunteering, and obtaining leadership opportunities. Work with PHPA on personal statement. Identify recommenders | Complete: General Physics I, Social Science General Elective, and at least 2 College Level Electives | Prepare for PharmCAS application by securing letters of recommendation, and other documents. Submit PharmCAS application summer of third year. Continue working on shadowing and other extracurricular experiences |

Application Breakdown

| <i>Application-Step 1- Gather your Materials and Determine your Eligibility</i> | | |
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| Letters of Recommendation | Course Completion | Number and Life of Credit Hours |
| Two letters of recommendation are required, and must be uploaded to PharmCAS. At least one letter of reference from a pharmacist is preferred, but not required | Pre-pharmacy requirements may be taken at any regionally-accredited college or university and must be completed prior to matriculation. All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better or credited by receiving Advanced Placement (AP) high school credit | Candidates must complete a minimum of 63 credits of prerequisite coursework at a regionally accredited college or university, each course completed within ten years prior to application |
| <i>Application-Step 2 and 3- Fill out and Submit Applications</i> | | |
| Application | Cost | Residency and Eligibility |
| New PharmCAS Application required every year, application cycle opens early-mid July. Deadline is June 1 for regular admission. Belmont operates on a rolling admissions process. Rolling admissions means they accept and review applications and interview candidates on a continual basis until class is filled | The PharmCAS application fee is based on a graduated scale that varies based on the number of programs you choose to receive your application. Refer to the PharmCAS Fee Schedule for cost of application based on number of schools applied to | Applicants must be a US citizen, possess a Green Card, been granted asylum or refugee status, Canadian citizens, or be eligible for an International Student Visa to be eligible for admission |
| <i>Application-Step 4 and 5- Interview and Decision</i> | | |
| Interview | Decision | Deposit |
| The College of Pharmacy considers candidates for an on-campus interview opportunity as soon as their application is complete. Interview days occur on most Fridays starting at 11:00 a.m. and ending by 3:00 p.m., although times may change throughout the academic year. | Invited candidates will be reviewed by the Admissions Committee soon after their interview and a decision is communicated within one week of the interview date. | Admitted candidates who choose to accept an offer of admission can confirm their seat in the entering class with a non-refundable deposit of \$500 which is applied toward their first-semester tuition. All prerequisites must be completed before the first day of classes or admission will be rescinded. |
| <i>** Some schools may have college service fees - check with Records/Registrar's Office of school for more information</i> | | |