This handout is only intended to be a guide. The programs to which you apply may not require all of the courses listed or have additional requirements not summarized in this handout. Research each institution you intend to apply to individually for specific information.

## **Pharmacy**

## **Health Professions Advisory Program**

Academic Requirements for Doctoral Programs in Pharmacy (Pharm. D.)



Required Courses  These are the SSU courses most commonly used to satisfy the prerequisite requirements	Highly Recommended Courses These courses may also be required by some schools
Biology  BIOL 130: Diversity of Life BIOL 131: Genetics, Evolution & Ecology *BIOL 232: Molecular and Cellular Biology BIOL224 or 349: Human or Animal Physiology BIOL240: Medical Microbiology  Chemistry  CHEM 115A & B: General Chemistry CHEM 335A & B: Organic Chemistry	BIOL220: Human Anatomy BIOL 342: Molecular Genetics ECON 204 or 205: Introduction to Microeconomics or Macroeconomics  A course in Public Speaking
CHEM 336A & B: Organic Chemistry Lab CHEM 446: Metabolic Biochemistry  Physics PHYS 210A & B: General Physics	Other Suggested Courses These courses cover additional topics that are important for Pharmacy School
PHYS 209A & B: General Physics Lab  Math  MATH 165: Statistics MATH 161: Calculus  English  ENGL 101: Expository Writing and Reading Additional units of composition: 3 Units  Other  PSY 250: Introduction to Psychology	BIOL 328: Vertebrate Evolutionary Morphology BIOL 343: Stem Cell Biology BIOL 346: Neurobiology BIOL 380: Genetic Basis of Human Diseases BIOL 472: Developmental Biology BIOL 480: Immunology

## **ADDITIONAL NOTES**:

\*Most pharmacy school require 2 semesters of general biology, however the most critical course at SSU for prepharmacy students is BIOL 232, which requires BIOL130 &131 as prerequisites. Therefore, most students should take all 3 courses. Students are strongly encouraged to take courses from the "Recommended" and "Suggested" list (right column). Please note that some of the courses listed above, especially 300 and 400 level science courses, may have other prerequisites.

Pharmacy schools no longer require the PCAT (Pharmacy College Admission Test) therefore no standardized exam is required. For general information about pharmacy programs, go to <a href="http://www.aacp.org">http://www.aacp.org</a>. For information about specific pharmacy programs, go to: <a href="https://www.pharmcas.org/school-directory/pharmd-directory/">https://www.pharmcas.org/school-directory/</a>pharmd-directory

For information about the SSU Health Professions Advisory Program, visit: https://stb.sonoma.edu/hpap

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