



UNION UNIVERSITY

College of Pharmacy

DIRECT ADMISSION PROGRAM WITH JACKSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Union University College of Pharmacy has partnered with Jackson State Community College to offer direct admission to the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) degree program to interested undergraduate students. The purpose of the Direct Admission Program is to recruit highly qualified students early in their college careers and to streamline their admission to the Doctor of Pharmacy program at Union University.

Benefits

- The Direct Admission Program guarantees admission to the Union University College of Pharmacy (UUCOP), pending successful adherence to progression and matriculation criteria.
- In some cases, undergraduate research opportunities may be available to qualified students.

Eligibility

- Students admitted to Jackson State Community College automatically qualify for direct admission to the UUCOP.
- A currently enrolled student must complete a minimum of 28 of the required pharmacy prerequisite hours at Jackson State Community College (at least 14 hours of science and math) with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Progression Criteria

To enter the Direct Admission program or to maintain eligibility:

- Students must notify the UUCOP Office of Admissions of the desire for Direct Admission by completing the form and submitting it to the UUCOP Office of Admissions no later than October 15 if possible. Exceptions can be made. Registration with the UUCOP is critical as space is limited for each admitted class.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of ≥ 3.0 .
- Complete all pharmacy prerequisites prior to matriculation into the UUCOP with a grade of "C" or higher in each course.
- Achieve an ACT score ≥ 22 prior to matriculation into the UUCOP if less than 3 years out of high school.
- Register for and complete a minimum of 14 hours per semester (fall and spring) at Jackson State Community College.
- Meet with the UUCOP Director of Admissions once a semester to ensure progression.

Prerequisite Courses

Prerequisite Courses	Jackson State Community College Courses	Credit hours
*Biology or Zoology	BIOL 1110, BIOL 1120	8
*General Chemistry	CHEM 1110, CHEM 1120	8
*Organic Chemistry	CHEM 2010, CHEM 2020	8
*Human Anatomy and Physiology	BIOL 2010, BIOL 2020	8
**200+ level science w. lab or Calc 2	Multiple Options	4
*Microbiology	BIOL 2230	4
*Calculus	MATH 1910	4
*Statistics	MATH 1530	3
Written Composition	ENGL 1010, ENGL 1020	6
Communications/Speech	COMM 2025	3
[†] Humanities Elective	Multiple options	3
[†] Social Sciences Elective	Multiple options	3

Notes regarding prerequisites

*For all science, calculus, or statistics courses, the prospective pharmacy student should take courses which are suitable for science majors intending graduate study and should include laboratories when available.

**Recommended courses include PHYS 2010, PHYS 2020, MATH 1920 or other approved courses by the UUCOP Director of Admissions.

†Elective courses must conform to the following distribution and requirements:

- Humanities electives include courses from arts, history, language, literature, or philosophy.
- Social Sciences electives include courses from anthropology, economics, political science, psychology, or sociology

Matriculation

- Complete the PharmCAS application by September 1 of the year prior to matriculation.
- Participate in an onsite interview. The interview will be scheduled by the UUCOP Office of Admissions once the application is complete.

Additional Information

- Students may matriculate into the UUCOP once prerequisites are complete.
- Conditional admission will be granted to Direct Admission students until the completion of the final undergraduate semester (contingent upon satisfactory spring/summer courses).
- The UUCOP admits only one cohort per year in the fall.
- It is strongly recommended that candidates for the Direct Admission program gain work experience or shadow in a pharmacy setting prior to matriculation.

Other Admission Opportunities

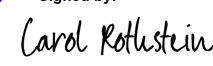
If you do not qualify for admission to the PharmD program through Direct Admission, you may apply through the traditional method. Contact the UUCOP Director of Admissions to discuss student specific academic situations.

Effective

This agreement shall be reviewed at least once in a three (3) year period to ensure requirements and course equivalencies are current. This agreement shall become effective upon signing by the appropriate individuals at both institutions, and shall remain in effect until terminated at the will of either party.

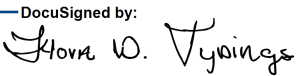
The agreement may be cancelled by either party with ninety (90) days written notice; however, the Direct Admission Program opportunity shall remain available to any student who was enrolled (and remained continuously enrolled) at Jackson State Community College while the agreement was in effect.

Jackson State Community College

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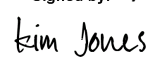
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