PHM. Pharmacy

PHM-110 Introduction to Pharmacy
Class 3  Lab 0  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 3
This course introduces pharmacy practice and the technician's role in a variety of pharmacy settings. Topics include medical terminology and abbreviations, drug delivery systems, law and ethics, prescription and medication orders, and the health care system. Upon completion, students should be able to explain the role of pharmacy technicians, read and interpret drug orders, describe quality assurance, and utilize pharmacy references.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-111 Pharmacy Practice I
Class 3  Lab 3  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 4
This course provides instruction in the technical procedures for preparing and dispensing drugs in the hospital and retail settings under supervision of a registered pharmacist. Topics include drug packaging and labeling, out-patient dispensing, hospital dispensing procedures, controlled substance procedures, inventory control, and non-sterile compounding. Upon completion, students should be able to perform basic supervised dispensing techniques in a variety of pharmacy settings.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: Take All: PHM-110 and PHM-115

PHM-115 Pharmacy Calculations
Class 3  Lab 0  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 3
This course provides an introduction to the metric, avoirdupois, and apothecary systems of measurement and the calculations used in pharmacy practice. Topics include ratio and proportion, dosage determinations, percentage preparations, reducing and enlarging formulas, dilution and concentration, aliquots, specific gravity and density, and flow rates. Upon completion, students should be able to correctly perform calculations required to properly prepare a medication order.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-115A Pharmacy Calculations Lab
Class 0  Lab 2  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 1
This course provides an opportunity to practice and perform calculations encountered in pharmacy practice. Emphasis is placed on ratio and proportion, dosage calculations, percentage, reduction/enlargement formulas, aliquots, flow rates, and specific gravity/density. Upon completion, students should be able to perform the calculations required to properly prepare a medication order.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-118 Sterile Products
Class 3  Lab 3  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 4
This course provides an introduction to intravenous admixture preparation and other sterile products, including total parenteral nutrition and chemotherapy. Topics include aseptic techniques; facilities, equipment, and supplies utilized in admixture preparation; incompatibility and stability; laminar flow hoods; immunizations and irrigation solutions; and quality assurance. Upon completion, students should be able to describe and demonstrate the steps involved in preparation of intermittent and continuous infusions, total parenteral nutrition, and chemotherapy.

Minimum State Prerequisites: Take PHM-110 and PHM-111
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-120 Pharmacology I
Class 3  Lab 0  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 3
This course introduces the study of the properties, effects, and therapeutic value of the primary agents in the major drug categories. Topics include nutritional products, blood modifiers, hormones, diuretics, cardiovascular agents, respiratory drugs, and gastrointestinal agents. Upon completion, students should be able to place major drugs into correct therapeutic categories and identify indications, side effects, and trade and generic names.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None
PHM-125 Pharmacology II

Class 3  Lab 0  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 3

This course provides a continuation of the study of the properties, effects, and therapeutic value of the primary agents in the major drug categories. Topics include autonomic and central nervous system agents, anti-inflammatory agents, and anti-infective drugs. Upon completion, students should be able to place major drugs into correct therapeutic categories and identify indications, side effects, and trade and generic names.

Minimum State Prerequisites: Take PHM-120
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-136 Pharmacy Clinical

Class 0  Lab 0  Clinical 18  Work 0  Credit 6

This course provides an opportunity to work in pharmacy settings under a pharmacist’s supervision. Emphasis is placed on effective communication with personnel, developing proper employee attitude, and dispensing of medications. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of pharmacy operations, utilize references, dispense medications, prepare patient charges, and efficiently operate computers.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-138 Pharmacy Clinical

Class 0  Lab 0  Clinical 24  Work 0  Credit 8

This course provides an opportunity to work in pharmacy settings under a pharmacist’s supervision. Emphasis is placed on effective communication with personnel, developing proper employee attitude, and dispensing of medications. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of pharmacy operations, utilize references, dispense medications, prepare patient charges, and efficiently operate computers.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-140 Trends in Pharmacy

Class 2  Lab 0  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 2

This course covers the major issues, trends, and concepts in contemporary pharmacy practice. Topics include professional ethics, continuing education, job placement, and the latest developments in pharmacy technician practice. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate a basic knowledge of the topics discussed.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-150 Hospital Pharmacy

Class 3  Lab 3  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 4

This course provides an in-depth study of hospital pharmacy practice. Topics include hospital organizational structure, committee functions, utilization of reference works, purchasing and inventory control, drug delivery systems, and intravenous admixture preparation. Upon completion, students should be able to explain hospital organization/committee functions, interpret and enter patient orders, fill unit-dose cassettes, and prepare intravenous admixtures.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: Take PHM-118

PHM-155 Community Pharmacy

Class 2  Lab 2  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 3

This course covers the operational procedures relating to retail pharmacy. Emphasis is placed on a general knowledge of over-the-counter products, prescription processing, business/inventory management, and specialty patient services. Upon completion, students should be able to provide technical assistance and support to the retail pharmacist.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-160 Pharm Dosage Forms

Class 3  Lab 0  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 3

This course is a study of pharmaceutical dosage forms and considerations in their manufacture. Topics include bioavailability, routes of administration, tablets, capsules, solutions, syrups, suspensions, elixirs, aerosols, transdermals, topicals, ophthalmics, otics, and other dosage forms. Upon completion, students should be able to describe the characteristics of the major dosage forms and explain how these characteristics affect the action of the drug.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None

PHM-165 Pharmacy Prof Practice

Class 2  Lab 0  Clinical 0  Work 0  Credit 2

This course provides a general overview of all aspects of pharmacy technician practice. Emphasis is placed on pharmacy law, calculations, compounding, pharmacology, and pharmacy operations. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate competence in the areas required for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Examination.

Minimum State Prerequisites: None
Minimum State Corequisites: None