

Master of Pharmacy (767AA.4)

Please note these are the 2021 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	PG
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	Bruce, Canberra
Duration	2.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Health
Discipline	Discipline of Pharmacy
UAC code	
English language requirements	<p>There are non-standard English language requirements for this course. To be eligible you must have an overall IELTS Academic score (or equivalent) of 7.0, with no band score below 7.0. For alternate/equivalent ways of meeting the English requirements for this course please view the English Proficiency Requirements document on the university website.</p> <p>View IELTS equivalences</p>

International students

Academic entry requirements	<p>To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page.</p>
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About this course

The new Master of Pharmacy (course code HLM501) will be on offer from 2022. Further information will be available on our website 21 August 2021.

Never too late to change

If you're looking for an alternative career path that offers long-term career prospects and exponential growth, while also taking advantage of your existing qualifications - then the UC Master of Pharmacy course is the perfect next step.

This 2-year full-time course covers the science, chemical composition and application of medication, how medication impacts the human body; and how to apply scientific theory to the clinical reasoning and evaluation for an individual patient's medication.

This course has been specially designed to help bring you up to speed with the latest industry theories, research and innovations quickly and efficiently; and eventually provide you with the knowledge, skills, and qualifications required to become an officially registered and respected UC Pharmacy graduate.

If you want an internationally recognised career in an ever-expanding industry which offers a positive impact on patients' lives, then sign up for the UC Master of Pharmacy course today.

This course is accredited by the Australia Pharmacy Council (APC).

Complete a Master of Pharmacy at UC and you will:

- explore the theory and practical science of pharmacy
- study within a small and specialised learning environment
- gain the necessary knowledge, exposure, attitudes and clinical decision-making skills required to practice as a pharmacist
- engage through lectures, practical laboratory classes, and clinical placements
- undertake a series of problem-based clinical studies
- develop an understanding of healthcare consumers' needs
- gain direct experience of the regulatory side of pharmacy practice.
- be challenged by leading academics and industry experts
- establish essential professional networks

Work Integrated Learning (WIL)

WIL allows students to work alongside, with, or for professional or government organisations allowing you to gain valuable hands-on experience and build professional relationships before they graduate. This approach ensures that UC students are aware of what is going on in their specialist industries, possess a wide range of professional contacts, and as a result have a higher chance of employment upon graduation.

As part of this course, each student will have the opportunity to participate in multiple 2-week placements that take place over the winter semesters at metropolitan, rural or regional community and hospital pharmacies. Some students choose to do these placements overseas.

Students will also get to participate in half day or full day work placements throughout each of the teaching semesters.

Career opportunities

As the aging population continues to grow globally, the demand for qualified and skilled pharmacists who can also engage with patients across all demographics is expected to increase. UC Master of Pharmacy graduate will enter this market with the benefit of having been trained in a smaller, more personal, learning environment resulting in each student receiving a higher level of mentored education.

What this means is that UC Master of Pharmacy graduates are industry respected and will be more than adequately prepared for a variety of career options in either private or government pharmaceutical organisations.

Alternatively, graduates will also have the option to gain further qualifications by returning to university at a later date to continue their studies.

Course specific information

As part of the degree, students will be required to undertake clinical placements and will need to be able to prove that they are fully vaccinated and able to pass standard police checks to comply with government health and security regulations.

This is an Australian Pharmacy Council (APC) accredited course.

To become a registered pharmacist, graduates are required to complete an internship year of supervised practice and pass Australian Pharmacy Board examinations.

Professional accreditation

This program has been granted accreditation by the Australian Pharmacy Council and is approved by the Pharmacy Board of Australia as a qualification leading to registration as a pharmacist in Australia.

Admission requirements

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- A) a completed bachelor degree in any discipline with a credit or higher average, and
- B) a minimum of one unit (subject) of degree level (or higher) study in each of the following disciplines - chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology, anatomy and physiology, and pharmacology.

Additional admission requirements

All students are also required to present current immunisation records prior to commencing clinical experience. Acknowledgement of the principles of ethical conduct and patient's privacy within the healthcare setting are sought from the students. Healthcare institutions will require all students to abide by their guidelines for conduct within their environments.

Periods course is open for new admissions

This course is not open for new admissions.

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current [course rules and university policy](#).

Course requirements

Master of Pharmacy (767AA) | 48 credit points

Required - Must pass 48 credit points as follows

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Research Planning PG (6486) | 3 credit points – Level P

Biopharmaceutics and Advanced Formulations G (9399) | 3 credit points – Level G

Clinical Therapeutics 1 G (9400) | 3 credit points – Level G

Clinical Therapeutics 2 PG (9401) | 3 credit points – Level P

Clinical Therapeutics 3 PG (9402) | 3 credit points – Level P

Clinical Therapeutics 4 PG (9403) | 3 credit points – Level P
Dispensary and Logistics G (9404) | 3 credit points – Level G
Pharmacy Practice 1 G (9405) | 3 credit points – Level G
Pharmacy Practice 2 PG (9406) | 3 credit points – Level P
Pharmacy Practice 3 PG (9407) | 3 credit points – Level P
Pharmacy Practice 4 PG (9408) | 3 credit points – Level P
Quality Use of Medicines PG (9409) | 3 credit points – Level P
Systems Pharmacology 1 PG (9410) | 3 credit points – Level P
Systems Pharmacology 2 PG (9411) | 3 credit points – Level P
Systems Pharmacology 3 PG (9412) | 3 credit points – Level P
Research Project in Health PG (9592) | 3 credit points – Level P

Research Planning PG: Students who have completed postgraduate level research training may substitute an Open Elective unit at Graduate or Postgraduate Level, as approved by the Course Convener.

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the [inherent requirements statement](#) applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

UC - Canberra, Bruce

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 1

Clinical Therapeutics 1 G (9400)

Dispensary and Logistics G (9404)

Pharmacy Practice 1 G (9405)

Systems Pharmacology 1 PG (9410)

Semester 2

Biopharmaceutics and Advanced Formulations G (9399)

Clinical Therapeutics 2 PG (9401)

Pharmacy Practice 2 PG (9406)

Systems Pharmacology 2 PG (9411)

Year 2

Semester 1

Clinical Therapeutics 3 PG (9402)

Pharmacy Practice 3 PG (9407)

Research Planning PG (6486)

Systems Pharmacology 3 PG (9412)

Semester 2

Clinical Therapeutics 4 PG (9403)

Pharmacy Practice 4 PG (9408)

Quality Use of Medicines PG (9409)

Research Project in Health PG (9592)

Course information

Course duration

Standard four semesters full-time or equivalent. Maximum twelve semesters.

Placements requirements

This course requires students to meet compulsory placement requirements prior to undertaking professional placement (Work-Integrated Learning) in a clinical or professional setting. For information on what these requirements are and how to meet these requirements, please visit www.canberra.edu.au/placement

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Master of Pharmacy	M Pharm

Honours

None.

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Prospective Domestic Students	Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)

Prospective International Students

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Current and Commencing Students

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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.