HOW DO I BECOME A PHARMACIST?

1. Complete at least two years of an undergraduate degree (usually a BSc. program) including all pre-requisites.

To explore how your Seneca diploma may pathway into this degree, please review the <u>Degree Transfer Guide</u>.

- 2. Complete a Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) (4 years). *There are only two institutions in Ontario that offer a Doctor of Pharmacy: University of Waterloo and University of Toronto.*
- 3. Register with the Ontario College of Pharmacists.
 - Pass the Ontario College of Pharmacists Jurisprudence Examination
 - Pass the Pharmacy Examining Board of Canada (PEBC) Examination

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR DOCTOR OF PHARMACY PROGRAM

Requirements vary by institution. Common requirements:

- > Completion of at least two years of an undergraduate degree (BSc) Courses required usually include: chemistry (e.g. organic, biochemistry), human physiology, biology, calculus, statistics, physics etc.
- > Overall GPA of 3.0 (B or 70%) or higher *Note: Minimum GPA requirements* vary, and most applicants have GPAs that are significantly higher than the minimum.
- > Letter of Reference
- > Admissions Interview
- > Pharmacy College Admission test (PCAT)
- > Casper Test
- > Fundamental Skills Assessment (FSA)
- > Experience in a pharmacy setting

Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.

Note: Based on Ontario Requirements.

If you have more questions, book an appointment with a Pathways Advisor: <u>https://seneca.mywconline.com</u>

This tip sheet aims to ensure accuracy; however, it is your responsibility to confirm all requirements. Updated: December 2023

