



LOMA LINDA  
UNIVERSITY

# DOCTOR OF PHARMACY (PharmD)

## School of Pharmacy



### PROGRAM OFFERED

- Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)

#### Dual Degrees

- Doctor of Pharmacy & MA Bioethics
- Doctor of Pharmacy & MS Health Informatics
- Doctor of Pharmacy & MS Health Professions Education

Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy (LLUSP) offers an academically rigorous and personally rewarding program for those who wish to enter into the field of Pharmacy (PharmD). Our student body as well as faculty and staff are diverse both in ethnicity and religious background. LLUSP is fully accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE).

### GENERAL ENTRANCE INFORMATION

Preference will be given to applicants who have successfully completed a baccalaureate degree (preferably) in chemistry, biology, physics, or a related scientific field. Students who do not have a bachelor's degree must ensure that the appropriate number of hours in general education courses have been met.

The preferred minimum cumulative GPA and cumulative math/science GPA considered for acceptance to the School of Pharmacy is a 2.75 on a 4.00 scale. Applicants with GPAs below 2.75 may be considered on a case-by-case basis. Applicants must complete the following prerequisite courses with a letter grade of C or better.

### REQUIRED PREREQUISITE COURSES

Courses	Semester Hours	Quarter Hours
General Biology, with labs	8	12
General Chemistry, with labs	8	12
Organic Chemistry, with labs	8	12
General Physics I, with labs (Mechanic, Newtonian Physics)	4	4

Final determination of acceptability of prerequisite courses resides with the School of Pharmacy Admissions Committee in collaboration with the Office of University Records.

#### Without a Bachelor's Degree

On a case-by case basis, students who have not completed a bachelor's degree can be considered for admission into the School of Pharmacy. In addition to the required prerequisite courses, applicants without a bachelor's degree must complete the following:

- 12 semester or 16 quarter units of coursework in Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 12 semester or 16 quarter units of coursework in Humanities and Fine Arts
- 6 semester or 9 quarter units of English Composition.
- Note: AP scores of 3, 4, or 5 may be used toward the first quarter or semester of one-year series prerequisite courses such as the first quarter or semester of general biology, physics, or chemistry. But the required hours or coursework remain the same.

#### Recommended Additional Courses:

- Molecular Biology
- Cell Biology
- Genomics
- Human Genetics
- Histology
- Immunology
- Microbiology
- Physiology

#### Recommended Experience

It is highly recommended that applicants obtain volunteer or pharmacy work experience.

#### Transfer Student with Advanced Standing

The School of Pharmacy accepts students with advanced standing from another PharmD Program into the P1 or P2 year. [Specific Requirements](#)

### APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND ACCEPTANCE

To apply for admission to Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy you must complete the following:

- Complete Application through PharmCAS [pharmcas.org](http://pharmcas.org)
- Two letters of recommendation OR a Pre-Professional Committee recommendation letter from SDA Schools
- Official transcripts from ALL post-secondary institutions
- International students have [Additional Requirements](#)

#### PharmCAS Application

All applicants must complete an application through PharmCAS. PharmCAS accepts applications from mid-July through early May. Please visit the PharmCAS website [pharmcas.org](http://pharmcas.org) to establish an account and to begin an application. Detailed instructions can be found at this site to assist you in completing the PharmCAS application. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Admissions.

### Submitting Letters of Recommendation

Use PharmCAS to submit up to four letters of recommendation. It is recommended that these letters come from a science instructor and/or a professional in the pharmacy field. A letter of reference is strongly recommended from a pastor, clergy, or spiritual advisor. If an applicant is currently attending a Seventh-day Adventist institution, a recommendation letter from the schools pre-professional committee is preferred. The pre-professional committee letter will fulfill all requirements for the letters of reference.

### Submitting Transcripts for the PharmCAS Application

Official transcripts for U.S. students must be received by PharmCAS by the published May deadline. International transcripts and evaluation must be received by LLU by the PharmCAS deadline.

### Submitting Transcripts to LLUSP

If offered acceptance, you must submit official transcripts to LLU from all post-secondary institutions from which you have attended, regardless of whether or not it applies to your prerequisite coursework. This includes all colleges, universities, military credit, and unaccredited schools. Transcripts must be sent by the issuing institution(s) directly to LLU Admissions Processing. Transcripts provided in any other manner are unofficial and will not be accepted for purposes of admission.

### Please request transcripts be sent to:

Admissions Processing  
Loma Linda University  
11139 Anderson St.  
Loma Linda, CA 92350

### Admissions Deadline

PharmCAS accepts applications from July through May 2 for entry in August of the following academic year. This deadline applies to all documents, which include application, transcripts, evaluation of international transcripts (if applicable), TOEFL scores (if applicable), and letters of recommendation. The deadline for completing the LLUSP Supplemental Application is 15 days after you receive the Supplemental Application invitation email.

### Application Review Process

The School of Pharmacy Admissions Office reviews completed applications and accepts students on a continual basis. If a student qualifies for an interview, they will receive communication from the Admissions Office to set up an in person or Zoom interview.

### ANTICIPATED 2023- 2024 TUITION AND FEES

Get details on the standard cost of attendance at LLU. [View Estimates](#)

### INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

Applicants who have done academic work in countries outside the U.S. must have all prerequisites completed in a two or four-year regionally accredited U.S. institution. In addition, an approved academic record evaluation for foreign transcripts is required as supplemental materials for applicant evaluation and must be received by PharmCAS by the PharmCAS deadline.

International transcripts must be reviewed by World Education Services (WES) [wes.org](http://wes.org) prior to applying.

### TOEFL Test

If the applicant's native language is not English, or if most of their education was completed in a non-English program, a score of at least 80 on the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) is required. Some consideration is given to applicants who have earned a college degree in the U.S. Please visit [TOEFL.org](http://TOEFL.org) for more information.

### PRE-ENTRANCE HEALTH AND BACKGROUND REQUIREMENTS

All newly accepted students are REQUIRED to have immunizations completed before they are able to register for fall term. The list of required immunizations will be sent to accepted students in the welcome packet.

### Background Checks

Accepted students are required to pass a background check prior to matriculation into the program.

### FINANCIAL AID

Financial aid is available for eligible students. You should begin your financial aid process in October of the year before you plan to attend, even before formal acceptance into the Program. See more information about on [Financial Aid](#)

### HOUSING

- Housing is available on campus in a limited capacity.
- For information on the women's residence hall, Lindsay Hall, call (909) 558-4561.
- For the men's residence hall, Daniells Hall, call 909-558-4562.

Get more information about campus life and living on and off campus. [Housing and Dining](#)

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## LLU at a Glance

>> Founded in 1905 >> A Seventh-day Adventist Organization integrating health, science, and Christian faith >> Offers over 200 programs in the health sciences >> Houses eight schools: Allied Health Professions, Behavioral Health, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health and Religion >> About 4,500 students >> Over 1,300 faculty >> 2,000 professional researchers >> \$46 million dollars in private and public grants generated each year >> Many service learning opportunities

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