## **Pharmacy**

Pre-Professional Advising (907) 474-6396

Pharmacists play a vital health care role. Pharmacists are drug experts whose responsibilities include a range of care for patients, from dispensing medications to maximizing patients' response to drugs.

Most schools with pharmacy programs offer a doctoral degree. The degree requires 6 years to complete, the first two of which are spent pursuing pre-pharmacy general education requirements (completed at the intended pharmacy school or transferred to that school); the last four years encompass pharmacy courses and professional preparation taken in residence at a pharmacy school.

Admission to a pharmacy school is competitive, so take advantage of any course work or experience that may give you an added edge. A minimum GPA is required by some schools, but attaining the minimum does not guarantee admission. Prerequisite courses typically required before being admitted to a pharmacy program include general chemistry with lab (CHEM 105X, 106X), organic chemistry with lab (CHEM 321, 322 and 324), physics (PHYS 103 and 104), mathematics (MATH 107X, 108, 200X, and/or 201X) and English (ENGL 111X, 211X/213X) among others. Careful planning is necessary because course requirements differ among schools.

Students considering a career as a pharmacist can learn more at www.uaf.edu/advising/degree/preprof/pharmacy.html and should see an advisor in the Academic Advising Center.

## **Baccalaureate Core Requirements** NATURAL SCIENCES (8) All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses. Complete any two (4-credit) courses: Refer to specific degree and program requirements. ATM 101X ......(4) BIOL 100X......(4) \_\_ COMMUNICATION (9) BIOL 103X.....(4) \_ BIOL 104X.....(4) \_ Complete the following: ENGL 111X .....(3) \_\_ BIOL 105X.....(4) \_ ENGL 190H may be substituted. BIOL 106X.....(4) \_ BIOL 111X.....(4) Complete one of the following: BIOL 112X.....(4) ENGL 211X **OR** ENGL 213X .....(3) \_\_\_ CHEM 100X ......(4) \_ Complete one of the following: CHEM 103X.....(4) \_ COMM 131X **OR** COMM 141X.....(3) \_\_\_ CHEM 104X .....(4) \_ PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18) CHEM 105X .....(4) Complete all of the following four courses: CHEM 106X .....(4) \_ ANTH 100X/SOC 100X.....(3) \_ GEOG 205X .....(4) \_ ECON 100X **OR** PS 100X ......(3) GEOS 100X ......(4) \_ HIST 100X.....(3) \_\_\_ GEOS 101X ......(4) ENGL/FL 200X ......(3) \_\_ GEOS 112X .....(4) Complete one of the following three courses: GEOS 120X .....(4) GEOS 125X ......(4) \_ MSL 111X.....(4) Complete one of the following six courses: PHYS 102X ......(4) \_ BA 323X, COMM 300X, JUST 300X, NRM 303X, PS 300X **OR** PHIL 322X.....(3) \_ PHYS 103X .....(4) PHYS 104X .....(4) \_ **OR** complete 12 credits from the above courses **PLUS** PHYS 115X.....(4) \_ • two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other PHYS 116X .....(4) \_ non-English language OR PHYS 175X .....(4) \_ • three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language PHYS 211X .....(4) taken at the university level. PHYS 212X .....(4) \_\_\_ **MATHEMATICS (3)** PHYS 213X.....(4) \_\_\_ Complete one of the following: LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0-1) MATH 107X, MATH 161X **OR** MATH 103X.....(3-4) Successful completion of library skills competency test **OR** \* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH 107X or 161X. LS 100X or 101X prior to junior standing ......(0-1) OR complete one of the following:\* MATH 200X, MATH 201X, MATH 202X, MATH 262X **OR** MATH 272X.....(4) \_\_\_ UPPER-DIVISION WRITING AND ORAL COMMUNICATION (0) \*Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite Complete the following: Two writing intensive courses designated (W).....(0) One oral communication intensive course designated (O) ......(0) **OR** two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2), at the upper-division level (see degree and/or major requirements) ......(0) TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED......38–39

