

Conditional Entry Program for Doctor of Pharmacy Degree Entering the School of Pharmacy Fall 2022

Introduction

Incoming freshmen who enter SIUE directly from high school will be presented the opportunity to earn a Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree through the SIUE School of Pharmacy (SOP) early assurance program. At SIUE, the early assurance program for pharmacy is called the Conditional Entry Program (CEP) and students must apply for consideration to the program as high school seniors. Once accepted, the students in the CEP will be required to successfully complete two years of pre-professional study, achieve pre-defined academic criteria, and meet both CEP and professional standards before being granted admission to the four-year professional PharmD program. The CEP is not the only route for admission into the PharmD program and ineligibility for CEP does not imply that a student is not qualified for SOP admission. Other candidates for the PharmD program at SIUE are considered on a competitive basis using the traditional application process that is facilitated through PharmCAS and described on the SOP website.

Eligibility Requirements

All students who wish to be considered for the CEP must meet the minimum eligibility requirements for the Meridian Scholars Program at SIUE. The Meridian Scholars Program is a premier program offering scholarships to students with strong academic ability, a record of personal achievement, and at least a 27 ACT or 1260 SAT. Unlike the Meridian Scholars Program, the CEP is an early assurance program and not a scholarship program. The CEP uses the Meridian Scholars Program application process to identify high achieving students eligible for CEP consideration. The two programs are independent; the award status of a Meridian Scholarship does not affect CEP consideration and likewise CEP consideration does not impact the selection process for a Meridian Scholarship.

Application Process

Students must apply to the Meridian Scholars Program at SIUE and indicate either pharmacy or pre-pharmacy as an area of intended study on the Meridian Scholars Program application. All such applicants will automatically be reviewed by the SOP for CEP consideration. On a competitive basis, candidates will be invited to interview with the SOP. Upon completion of all interviews, the top candidates will receive a formal invitation to participate in the CEP.

Selection Process

Details are provided at <http://www.siu.edu/pharmacy/admission/>. Select “Conditional Entry” on the left side.

Terms & Conditions

CEP participants will be required to accept the following terms and conditions:

1. Students must meet with an academic advisor in the SOP at least once every semester prior to admission in the PharmD program.
2. Students must meet the “[Technical Standards for Admission and Continued Enrollment](#)” at the time of enrollment in the SOP. These standards are a requirement of all candidates for the PharmD degree and encompass the following categories: observation, communication, motor, intellectual, and behavioral/social attributes. A full description of these standards may be found on the SOP website.
3. Students must adhere to all SIUE policies and abide by the University’s academic code of conduct and student conduct code.
4. Students must successfully complete all candidate screening criteria for the PharmD program including a drug screen and criminal background check.
5. Students must meet all CEP academic and program requirements for SOP Admission as specified in this document.

CEP Requirements

CEP participants will be required to successfully complete pre-professional coursework, achieve pre-defined academic criteria, and meet CEP and professional standards before being granted admission into the four-year professional pharmacy program. CEP participants will be held to a stringent set of academic standards in order to receive the guaranteed admission to the PharmD program. Standards of achievement include both academic and program requirements as listed below.

Academic Requirements

- By the end of the third semester (fall semester of the sophomore year), earn a minimum cumulative grade point average (cGPA) of 3.5 for all college coursework; earn a minimum pre-pharmacy GPA (pGPA) of 3.5; and, earn a pre-pharmacy math and science GPA (msGPA) of 3.5. In addition, the minimum 3.5 cGPA, pGPA and msGPA must be maintained by the end of the fourth semester (spring semester of sophomore year).
- All enrolled courses must be completed with a grade of C or better.
- Grades from repeated courses will not be used in computing the cGPA, pGPA or msGPA.
- Withdrawal from an enrolled course is not allowed without prior written approval from an academic advisor in the SOP. In the event an approval to withdraw is granted, the entirety of the pre-pharmacy curriculum must still be completed according to the conditions listed above.
- All non-SIUE coursework must be approved by an academic advisor in the SOP and the courses must articulate to SIUE courses through SIUE's Transfer Credit Equivalency Guide.
- AP and dual credit courses may be applied towards the completion of the pre-pharmacy curriculum but AP grades will not be included in cGPA, pGPA or msGPA calculations.
- The SIUE pre-pharmacy curriculum must be completed by the end of the *second* spring semester after entering the University as a freshman. No pre-pharmacy coursework may be completed in the summer term prior to enrollment in the PharmD program.

Program Requirements for matriculation to the Doctor of Pharmacy program

- All CEP participants must submit the requisite SOP application materials (all items required for the traditional application process) through PharmCAS using the published application process and timeline.
- All students must successfully complete the on-site interview and writing assessment during the traditional SOP interview schedule.
- If at any point, a condition of the CEP is either violated or no longer achievable, a CEP participant will be removed from the program. Students who are removed from the CEP may apply for admission to the PharmD program via the traditional method of application.

SIUE Pre-Pharmacy Curriculum

Biology	Chemistry	Math/Stat/Physics	Additional Required Courses	Honors ³	General Education ³
BIOL 150- Introduction to Biological Sciences I	CHEM 121a and 125a-General Chemistry I and lab	MATH 150-Calculus OR MATH 145-Calculus for the Life Sciences	PSYC 111- Introduction to Psychology OR SOC 111- Introduction to Sociology	HONS 120-Big Questions and the Spirit of Inquiry AND HONS 121- Honors Rhetoric	ENG 101- Composition I ENG 102- Composition II
BIOL 151- Introduction to Biological Sciences II	CHEM 121b and 125b-General Chemistry II and lab	STAT 244-Statistics	ECON 111- Macroeconomics OR ECON 112- Microeconomics	HONS 250- Connections AND HONS 200-The World	ACS 101 – Public Speaking
BIOL 240a- Anatomy and Physiology I	CHEM 241a- Organic Chemistry I	PHYS 131 and 131L- College Physics I and lab		HONS 320a- Problems in the Social Sciences ²	RA 101- Reasoning and Argumentation
BIOL 240b- Anatomy and Physiology II	CHEM 241b and 245-Organic Chemistry II and lab			OR HONS 320b- Problems in Science & Technology ²	FST 101 – Succeeding & Engaging at SIUE
BIOL 250- Bacteriology OR BIOL 350- Microbiology ¹				HONS 499 – Interdisciplinary Project	

¹ Prerequisite for BIOL 350 is BIOL 220-Genetics

² Topics will vary

³ CEP students must complete either the Honors Program or the General Education Courses. Students who are awarded the Meridian Scholarship must complete the Honors Program. All other CEP students may choose to apply to the Honors Program. Students who are not in the Honors Program must complete the General Education courses.

School of Pharmacy Admission

Upon meeting all academic and program requirements including the submission of the requisite materials and the successful completion of the on-site SOP interview and writing assessment, CEP participants will be admitted to the PharmD program and will occupy the first seats in the incoming fall SOP class.

Coursework is subject to change. Revised 1/28/19