A Profession
with a Lifetime
of Purpose

Creighton University
School of Pharmacy
and Health Professions

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Welcome to the doctor of pharmacy program.

Compassion drives many of us. Others describe it as a calling—a desire to pursue a lifetime of challenge and discovery, scholarship and truth, reward and service. As part of the Creighton University Doctor of Pharmacy Program, you’ll find yourself on a path that will take you anywhere you want.

Here, you’re part of a close-knit community of professionals that includes students and faculty, researchers and practitioners, alumni and mentors—working together to further the practice of pharmacy and its ability to build careers, improve lives, serve communities and strengthen outcomes.

At the Creighton University School of Pharmacy and Health Professions, you’ll not only become a member of one of the world’s most-respected professions, you’ll graduate with the confidence and preparedness that ensures no destination is out of reach.

Top-Ranked School, Highly Regarded Graduates

The number-three private pharmacy school in the United States with one of the leading online pharmacy programs in the country, Creighton also produces highly sought-after graduates.

Our rigorous academic curriculum employs the most advanced technology, experiential clinical learning and interprofessional collaborative practice across all health sciences. So at every point you’re given the comprehensive knowledge you need and the opportunity to apply it in real-world settings.

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Thrive in an interprofessional environment.

Creighton’s interprofessional, or “by the team for the team” approach, means you’ll receive a highly collaborative education with expert faculty and clinical experience.

Our pharmacy faculty includes some of the leading clinicians, researchers and educators in the country, who are dedicated to drive scientific knowledge and provide our students opportunities to advance their expertise through broad and diverse projects. That includes patient safety, treatment and prevention of HIV infections, Parkinson’s disease, tuberculosis and characteristics of prion entry.

As a health sciences student, you can actively contribute to open studies as a participant or research assistant. Also, through classroom and clinical service activities, you’ll gain the knowledge, skills and attitudes to provide patient-centered care focused on disease state management, disease prevention and patient outcomes.
Expand your education with real experience.

Our innovative PharmD program reflects changes in pharmacy practice regarding medication therapy management and patient-centered care. You’ll expand your knowledge using the latest pharmaceutical technology in our modern pharmacy skills labs in Omaha and Phoenix. In addition, the interprofessional nature of our programs means you’ll work with other health sciences students to prepare you for a practice that reflects the real world.

Partnerships with regional and national providers offer you experiential learning opportunities in a variety of professional settings, including community pharmacy, acute pharmaceutical care, in-patient hospital, outpatient clinic and drug information. In addition, over 30 elective/specialty clinical rotations let you pursue interests in such areas as pediatrics, psychiatry, oncology and more. You may also choose a clinical experience in the Dominican Republic.

Learn wherever you are.

Our Entry-level PharmD Programs include:

Omaha Pathway
Since 1905, the pharmacy program has allowed students to earn their degree with innovative study in a full-time, traditional campus setting.

Phoenix Hybrid Pathway
The pharmacy program welcomed its inaugural class and first students to Phoenix campus in 2021. Students learn in a new state-of-the-art, seven-story building serving nearly 900 health sciences professional students in the heart of midtown Phoenix.

Creighton University’s Phoenix expansion is in partnership with the Creighton University Arizona Health Education Alliance, which consists of Creighton University, Dignity Health St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center, District Medical Group and Valleywise Health, to better serve the underserved populations of Arizona.

Phoenix pharmacy students will experience our innovative distance learning technology for the didactic portion of the curriculum with the clinical lab component taught at the Creighton University Phoenix campus.

Distance Pathway
In 2001, Creighton University started the first accredited Distance Pathway, providing a full-time method to obtain a Doctor of Pharmacy degree. The distance pathway covers the same material as the traditional campus program, but offers students the flexibility of completing coursework using distance education technology. Interactions with faculty and mentors occur via web conferencing software, discussion boards, email, telephone and other media.

The didactic portion of the distance pathway is taught on a semester basis and some elements of the pathway are synchronous (live). Students complete laboratory courses and other activities on our Omaha campus during two-week sessions in the summer.

The clinical component of the distance pathway is the same as the Omaha pathway. A total of eight five-week clinical rotations are required, five of which are in required subject areas, with the remaining three in elective subject areas. These unpaid clinical rotations provide experience in actual pharmacy practice. Sites for clinical rotations are available in a variety of locations throughout the country and internationally.

“The distance pathway is perfect for my needs and the program is better than I hoped for, I wish I had found it sooner. That is not to say it has been a walk in the park either. It has been a challenge but one that is well worth it. I am impressed by the amount of support the school has in place for us to succeed.”

—Garrett Husted, Doctor of Pharmacy Candidate 2023
More than 42,000 vaccine doses were administrated by health sciences students and faculty in Omaha during the COVID-19 pandemic.

More than 1,500 total service hours for SPAHP in 2021-2022

Education in the Jesuit Tradition

As a practitioner in the field of health care, pharmacists see the importance of combining science and medicine, with faith, service and spirituality. You’ll find these ideas in the pharmacist oath that you take your first month of class, and in many of the Jesuit values that encourage:

- Developing the whole person
- Respecting each person as an individual
- Striving toward excellence and the greater good
- Promoting justice and serving communities as women and men for and with others
- Reflecting critical thought and responsible, ethical action
The place where you can make a difference.

At Creighton, we produce pharmacists who are ready to make an impact in their profession, in the lives of their patients and in the communities they serve. In areas where health resources are limited to academic institutions where new treatment regimens are being developed, to neighborhood pharmacies serving generations of local families—you'll find that pharmacists who graduate from Creighton are well prepared for a lifetime of professionalism and purpose.

Magis Clinic
Creighton medical students founded the Magis Clinic to offer health care services to homeless and underserved residents in the Omaha area. The Magis clinic provides acute care, physical exams, mental health care, pharmacy services, immunizations, lab services and referrals at no charge to those in need. In addition to staffing the clinic pharmacy, pharmacy students are part of the interprofessional teams with medical and physician assistant students. Pharmacy students assist with collecting the patient’s medication history and selecting appropriate treatment.

Virginia G. Piper Medical Clinic
The Virginia G. Piper Medical Clinic at St. Vincent de Paul is a free clinic that fills a gap in the health care system by serving uninsured and underserved patients. It provides improved access and quality of care to those most in need while growing skilled healthcare professionals for Arizona. The partnership between Creighton and SVdP aims to reduce health disparities disproportionately affecting low-income populations and people of color.

Pharmacy students work side-by-side with medical, nursing, and physical therapy students to create an assessment and plan for patients. The clinic also has a medication dispensary allowing pharmacy students to dispense medications to patients. In addition, it has allowed the program to deeply integrate SVdP’s Virginia G. Piper Medical Clinic into the Pharmacy curriculum.

Other Community Health Experiences
Pharmacy students work with community partners to provide information about immunization and vaccinations to communities in need. OneWorld Community Health Centers provides service to a culturally diverse underserved population. Students provide details on immunizations in addition to vaccinating individuals at the sponsored Women’s Night health fair and the Indigenous Peoples health fair.

The students also partner with Youth Emergency Services to provide flu vaccines to youth experiencing homelessness and near homelessness.

First Place
Creighton health sciences students are finding they benefit as much as those they serve through a partnership the University has with an organization in Phoenix dedicated to fostering independence for adults with autism and other neurodiversity. Through the agreement between Creighton University Health Sciences Campus – Phoenix and First Place AZ, Creighton health care providers offer services and education to First Place–Phoenix residents, an innovative residential community.

Working interprofessionally with occupational therapy students, pharmacy students review medication history and educate residents on the importance of medication adherence as they relate to their activities of daily living (ADLs). This includes conversation set goals and recommendations for residents to improve their lifestyle and independence.
Improving patient care through innovative centers.

**Center for Medication Therapy Management**
The School of Pharmacy and Health Professions was the first school to partner with AdhereHealth to establish a remote site for student pharmacists and first-year residents to provide medication therapy management services. At this center, students develop an array of skills, including comprehensive medication review, patient education, written and verbal communication skills and assessment and documentation of services and therapy.

**Center for Drug Information and Evidence-based Practice**
The center offers a wide range of unbiased, timely information consultations to pharmacists nationwide. These consultations allow pharmacists to make informed decisions about dosing, drug interactions, adverse drug reactions, therapeutic reviews and recommendations.
Founded in 1878, Creighton University is one of 27 Jesuit colleges and universities in the United States. The University, based in Omaha, Nebraska, is well known for its outstanding interdisciplinary and comprehensive educational programs taught in the Jesuit tradition of educating the whole person—academically, spiritually and socially. Creighton’s nine schools and colleges span the arts and sciences, law, business and the health sciences, offering a broad array of undergraduate, professional and graduate programs for nearly 9,000 students.

Join the Creighton Community
A Leader in Health Sciences Education

Creighton University is a nationally recognized institution that delivers a leading health sciences education. Our interprofessional approach reflects the future of clinical care and is an extension of our classroom teaching. This innovative enterprise, one of the first in the nation, ensures students in Creighton's health sciences programs receive a team-based education that prepares them to collaborate and share knowledge with other health care professionals in their future careers.

The collaborative approach is the key to delivering better care to improve the patient experience—and you’ll learn that firsthand as a Creighton student.

Our faculty make an impact:

More than 20 board-certified faculty who are leaders in the profession

Over 600 leadership roles over the past 5 years

Over 2,000 publications and counting

“Our students, our faculty, our staff volunteered thousands of hours, many giving up their weekends, many working multiple shifts at our community vaccine clinic. For sure, it was heroic. But more pointedly, it was Creighton.”

–Rev. Daniel S. Hendrickson, SJ, PhD, President, Creighton University