The practice of pharmacy requires detailed knowledge of the physical and chemical properties of drugs as well as their particular biologic effects. Pharmacists practice in a variety of settings, including community pharmacies, hospitals, drug industries, and government agencies. Pharmacists may provide patient care, teach at colleges and universities, or may perform pharmaceutical research.

The preprofessional course work listed below prepares the student to apply to the Doctor of Pharmacy program in the College of Pharmacy. The course work generally requires a minimum of two full-time academic years of study. Most students require at least three years to complete prerequisite course work.

Pre-Pharmacy

The College of Pharmacy accepts applications for the fall semester admission only. PharmCAS applications are available starting in mid-July. The College of Pharmacy reviews applications on an ongoing basis beginning shortly after PharmCAS applications are made available. A UIC College of Pharmacy supplemental application is also required.

Additional information regarding the admission/application process can be found on the College of Pharmacy Office of Student Affairs website.