

# PharmD Program | College of Pharmacy | University of South Florida

# **Accepted Student Requirements**

# **Tuition Deposit:**

Applicants who are admitted pay a \$200 nonrefundable tuition deposit to hold a place in the College. The deposit, along with a signed Declaration of Intent, is due in full within two weeks from the date of your acceptance letter or your position in the PharmD Class of 2016 will be offered to another student. The tuition deposit is applied to students' fall semester tuition. Deposits are not refunded to applicants who do not enroll in the year for which they have been admitted.

#### **Prerequisite Courses:**

All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade of C or better before the start of the program. Applicants may take courses during the summer. However, coursework MUST be completed by no later than July 17, 2015.

# **Criminal Background Check and Drug Test:**

PharmCAS requires applicants to disclose any felony convictions. In addition, the USFCOP Supplemental Application requires applicants to disclose if they have ever been charged or convicted of a misdemeanor, felony or other crime other than minor traffic violations (i.e. speeding), or do you have such a case pending.

A criminal background check and drug test will be completed on all applicants accepted to the entering class using a vendor designed and approved by the College. The criminal background check and drug test will be initiated at the time an applicant is accepted and has made a deposit to the school.

The background check will include, but is not limited to, any or all of the following:

- Social Security Number Validation
- County Criminal Records
- Statewide Criminal Records
- Federal Criminal Records
- National Criminal Database
- National Sexual Offender Database
- US Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General List of Excluded Individuals/Entities
- Dishonorable Discharge from the Armed Forces, if applicable.
- International, if applicable.
- SanctionsBase
- Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Applicants will be required to submit to a 10-panel test which includes screening for Amphetamines, Cocaine Metabolites, Marijuana Metabolites, Opiates, Phencyclidine, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepines, Methadone, Propoxyphene, Methaqualone.

#### **Technical Standards:**

The PharmD degree signifies that the holder is prepared for entry into the practice of pharmacy and graduates must have the knowledge and skills to function in a broad variety of situations and render patient-centered, pharmaceutical care to patients.

All candidates must meet the health and technical standards requisite for admission and participation in the educational programs of the College. Any applicant who had questions about whether he or she can meet these standards due to the functional limitations from disability, such as physical, sensory, medical, learning or psychiatric, should contact the Office of Admissions.

Accepted students seeking reasonable accommodations for a disability condition should contact the Office of Student Affairs and speak with the Director of Student Services.

# **Health-related Requirements:**

- 1. Students must have health insurance in effect at all times during enrollment at USF COP. Policy information on basic health insurance policies will be available at orientation for students who do not have current health insurance. Proof of insurance will be collected by admissions prior to or during orientation.
- 2. Students must undergo a physical examination prior to starting school. Complete the Physical Exam Verification Form and return it directly to the Associate Director of Medical Health Administration in July.
- 3. Students must provide documented evidence of immunity to specified communicable diseases listed on the Communicable Disease Prevention Certification form. All documentation must be in English.

#### **Technology Requirements:**

A detailed list of technology requirements will be provided to incoming students by the Office of Admissions.

#### **Orientation:**

All new pharmacy students are **required** to attend orientation prior to the first day of class.