



Career Guide

Pharmacy

Profession Description

Pharmacists are well-rounded in their knowledge around the topic of medication. They have a solid understanding of the makeup of different medications alongside their manufacture and use. Pharmacists have strong relationships with other healthcare professionals and patients to provide the best care regarding any individual's medication. There are many different settings pharmacists can work, including pharmacies, hospitals, conducting research, etc.

Academic Requirements

- PharmD
- Taking licensure exams including: the North American Pharmacist Licensure Exam (NAPLEX) and the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Exam (MPJE) or a jurisprudence exam specific to your state.

Professional Associations

- American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP)
- American Pharmacists Association (APhA)
- American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP)

Further Resources

- Glass Door (<https://www.glassdoor.com/index.htm>)
- Bureau of Labor Statistics (<https://www.bls.gov/>)
- Explore Health Careers (<https://explorehealthcareers.org/>)
- NU Career Guides (<https://careers.northeastern.edu/group/career-guides/>)

Related Fields

- Pharmacy Technician
- Pharmacy Assistant
- Pharmacy Dispenser
- Pharmacy Clerk