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Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy



School of Pharmacy 2023 Graduate Programs



MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Pharmacists are essential members of every health care team – a fact that is truer today than it's ever been. Pharmacists provide critically important public health services such as vaccinations and point-of-care testing, as well as prevention and treatment of chronic and acute diseases. As experts in medication management and wellness, we are frontline care providers who consistently rank among the most trusted health professionals in the nation.

At Shenandoah University's Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy, we're on a mission: a mission to equip you with the skills and experiences you need to deliver high-quality, compassionate, patient-centered health care through the profession of pharmacy. We do this by preparing you for the health care of tomorrow through a learning environment that immerses you in real-world practice environments and clinical settings. You will learn collaboratively with other health professionals, including doctors, nurses and other members of an integrated health care team. Together, you can make a difference in the lives of your patients and in your community.

We're excited to offer you the choice to study at one of two locations in Virginia — in the scenic Shenandoah Valley on the campus of Valley Health's award-winning Winchester Medical Center and in vibrant Northern Virginia, near Dulles Airport and Washington, D.C., at the Inova Center for Personalized Health in Fairfax. Our caring atmosphere and emphasis on student success means you will feel at home no matter which campus you choose.

Whether you want to make an impact as a community pharmacist, care for patients in a hospital or clinic, or advance science with a role in industry or government, the opportunities truly are limitless when you choose a career as a pharmacist. We're proud to prepare students for pharmacy's future. Come join us and be part of health care's tomorrow.

Robbie Kidd, Pharm.D., Ph.D.
Interim Dean, Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy



Graduate Programs

Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.)

Shenandoah University develops graduates who are caring and ethical leaders in team-based, interprofessional, patient-centered pharmacy care through student-centered teaching and learning, small class sizes, an innovative curriculum and the use of cutting-edge educational technology.

As health care becomes more collaborative and personalized to address the needs of each individual patient, and pharmacy moves away from a focus on product towards providing information and services that improve health outcomes, our curriculum will prepare you to play an important and uniquely valued role on the health care team. Additionally, you may choose one of our **dual degree options: Pharm.D./MBA, Pharm.D./Master of Public Health or Pharm.D./M.S. Pharmacogenomics & Personalized Medicine.**

Nontraditional Doctor of Pharmacy

This fully online pathway is for U.S.-licensed and practicing pharmacists who already hold a bachelor's degree in pharmacy. The program utilizes much of the innovative information technology that is woven throughout the traditional Doctor of Pharmacy program to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the pharmacist as a decision maker. The curriculum offers the flexibility to complete your studies while working full time. Many of the courses are self-paced and you may be able to complete the experiential components at your existing workplace.



Why Shenandoah?

We lead the way in genetics-based pharmaceutical education and progressive instructional technology, creating caring and ethical leaders in team-based, patient-centered care.

Learn from Accomplished Professionals

You'll benefit from small class sizes that enable faculty members to provide individualized attention and to nurture your academic and professional development. Each student is assigned to a faculty adviser who works closely with them across the entire four years of the curriculum. As you learn from these accomplished and caring faculty members and clinical instructors, you'll be immersed in an environment that is preparing you to be a future-focused member of a health care team.

Technology Extends Learning Beyond the Classroom

Our program integrates a variety of live lectures that are captured on video, while audio technologies, web-based notes, slides and lecture outlines give you 24/7 access to the material beyond the classroom. All students utilize the most current Apple technology.

Collaborative Learning & Real-World Experiences

You can find your niche within the profession as you take advantage of service, advocacy and leadership opportunities. More than 85% of our student pharmacists participate in student organizations, which include everything from student chapters of national organizations and professional fraternities with philanthropic platforms to student government. Working with faculty members, physicians, and fellow health professions students from Shenandoah, you will learn in an interprofessional environment as a member of a collaborative health care team. You can travel with these interprofessional teams on medical mission trips to provide invaluable medical services that make a difference to underserved populations around the world. Additionally, our locations are close to Washington, D.C., providing easy access to internships and valuable experiential opportunities at federal agencies such as the National Institutes of Health and the U.S. Food & Drug Administration, as well as nonprofit organizations.



“Whether you’re passionate about community pharmacy, dedicated to high-quality inpatient care, or curious about a career in research and drug development, our high-touch, student-centered pharmacy curriculum is designed to help get you there. That’s why 100% of our graduates report that they are fully prepared to enter clinical practice.”

*– Zara Risoldi Cochrane, Pharm.D., M.S., FASCP
School of Pharmacy Assistant Dean of Student Affairs*

Pharmacy Careers

Your Shenandoah education prepares you for a wide variety of pharmacy careers, including those focused on research, at biotechnology and information technology organizations, and in hospital and community settings. On average, pharmacists earn more than \$100K annually. Pharmacy manager and pharmacist are #2 and #4, respectively, on Glassdoor’s “25 Highest-Paying Jobs in America” list.

Excellent Facilities

State-of-the-art laboratories and technology-rich classroom spaces abound at both the Health Professions Building on the campus of Winchester Medical Center in Winchester, Virginia, and Inova Center for Personalized Health in Fairfax, Virginia.

Our facilities house several health professions programs that encourage interprofessional education, with an eye toward creating the highly collaborative, personalized medicine-focused health care teams of the future.

KEY FEATURES

- Curriculum integrates pharmacogenomics
- Accessible faculty mentors
- Small class sizes
- Student-focused learning experiences
- Close proximity to federal agencies and nonprofit health organizations
- Student organizations and international learning opportunities provide hands-on experiences in a variety of settings



Shenandoah University, in partnership with Valley Health and the Virginia Department of Health's Lord Fairfax Health District, administered more than 70,000 COVID-19 vaccine shots from January to May 2021, at the mass-vaccination clinic at the university's James R. Wilkins, Jr. Athletics & Events Center. Shenandoah pharmacy faculty and students were central to this endeavor. School of Pharmacy faculty also developed a saliva surveillance test to determine COVID-19 prevalence in the Shenandoah community and conducted genetic testing to identify variants in positive test samples.

————— North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX) first-time —————
pass rates are consistently above the national average

“You get to know the faculty; you get to know a lot of students because you're in that small school setting/family setting. It kind of brings more adhesiveness across the board when it comes to the faculty and student relationships.”

— Kyle Knight '24, Pharm.D. student

Shenandoah Facts

- Established 1875
- Located in Winchester, Virginia, in the beautiful Northern Shenandoah Valley, and in Fairfax, Virginia, one hour from Dulles International Airport (offering nonstop service to five continents)

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