

American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Alumni Survey

2022 Private School Summary Report

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Total number of schools: 42 Total number of responses: 1332

Response Rate: 8.4%

Section I: Development/Communication

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
1. The college/school communicates effectively with alumni about college/school activities.	37.2%	45.4%	8.9%	3.8%	4.6%
	(496)	(605)	(119)	(51)	(61)
2. The current Dean is providing leadership in pharmacy.	39.3%	30.6%	4.7%	2.7%	22.8%
	(523)	(407)	(62)	(36)	(304)
3. The current Dean encourages alumni to stay involved.	34.2%	32.7%	10.1%	4.7%	18.3%
	(455)	(436)	(135)	(62)	(244)

When I was a student...

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
4. The faculty displayed respect for their colleagues and students.	53.5%	38.5%	4.4%	2.6%	1.1%
	(713)	(513)	(58)	(34)	(14)
5. Faculty, administrators and staff served as positive role models for students.	54.1%	38.7%	4.0%	2.1%	1.1%
	(721)	(515)	(53)	(28)	(15)
6. I knew what the program outcomes were.	52.6%	40.8%	4.3%	1.2%	1.1%
	(700)	(544)	(57)	(16)	(15)
7. The curriculum provided opportunities to engage in active learning (e.g., laboratories, recitations, student portfolios, problem-based learning).	58.1%	37.2%	2.6%	1.5%	0.7%
	(774)	(495)	(34)	(20)	(9)
8. I was encouraged to assume responsibility for my own learning.	62.0%	34.6%	1.1%	1.3%	1.1%
	(826)	(461)	(14)	(17)	(14)
9. I was academically prepared to enter my advanced pharmacy practice experiences.	50.9%	40.2%	5.1%	2.9%	1.0%
	(678)	(535)	(68)	(38)	(13)
10. The curriculum prepared me to enter my first pharmacy job.	47.4%	39.3%	7.8%	3.8%	1.7%
	(632)	(524)	(104)	(50)	(22)

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
11. Information was made available to me about additional educational opportunities (e.g. residencies, fellowships, graduate school).	48.4%	39.7%	7.4%	3.1%	1.4%
	(645)	(529)	(99)	(41)	(18)
12. Elective didactic courses permitted exploration of and/or advanced study in areas of professional interest.	49.1%	37.7%	8.0%	3.5%	1.8%
	(654)	(502)	(106)	(46)	(24)
13. My pharmacy practice experiences were of high quality.	48.3%	40.6%	6.5%	3.5%	1.1%
	(644)	(541)	(86)	(47)	(14)

Section II: Curriculum

The Pharm.D. Program prepared me to...

Domain 1: Foundational Knowledge

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
14. Apply knowledge from the foundational pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences to the provision of patient care.	47.4%	46.8%	3.2%	1.6%	0.9%
	(632)	(624)	(43)	(21)	(12)
15. Apply knowledge from the clinical sciences to the provision of patient care.	51.7%	43.4%	2.5%	1.7%	0.8%
	(688)	(578)	(33)	(23)	(10)
16. Evaluate scientific literature.	47.4%	43.5%	5.3%	2.9%	0.9%
	(631)	(579)	(71)	(39)	(12)

Domain 2: Essentials for Practice

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
17. Provide medication expertise as part of patient-centered care.	55.6%	40.7%	1.8%	1.2%	0.8%
	(740)	(542)	(24)	(16)	(10)
18. Optimize the safety and efficacy of medication use systems (e.g., dispensing, administration, effects monitoring) to manage patient healthcare needs.	52.9%	41.1%	3.6%	1.4%	1.0%
	(705)	(548)	(48)	(18)	(13)
19. Design strategies to manage chronic disease and improve health and wellness.	52.6%	41.8%	3.6%	1.2%	0.8%
	(701)	(557)	(48)	(16)	(10)
20. Assess the health needs of a given patient population.	49.8%	43.2%	4.6%	1.2%	1.2%
	(664)	(575)	(61)	(16)	(16)
21. Provide patient-centered care based on evidence-based best practices.	55.6%	39.9%	2.6%	1.4%	0.7%
	(740)	(531)	(34)	(18)	(9)

Domain 3: Approach to Practice and Care

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
22. Design, implement and evaluate viable solutions to patient care problems.	49.1%	45.0%	3.8%	1.3%	0.8%
	(654)	(600)	(51)	(17)	(10)
23. Use effective strategies to educate patients, healthcare professionals and caregivers to improve patient care.	53.5%	42.1%	2.3%	1.4%	0.7%
	(713)	(561)	(31)	(18)	(9)
24. Advocate for the patient's best interest.	56.8%	37.8%	3.2%	1.3%	1.0%
	(756)	(504)	(42)	(17)	(13)
25. Engage as a member of an interprofessional healthcare team.	56.5%	36.8%	4.3%	1.7%	0.8%
	(752)	(490)	(57)	(23)	(10)
26. Identify cultural disparities in healthcare.	46.5%	41.7%	7.5%	2.7%	1.5%
	(620)	(556)	(100)	(36)	(20)
27. Recognize and address cultural disparities in access to and delivery of healthcare.	46.4%	40.8%	8.7%	2.5%	1.6%
	(618)	(544)	(116)	(33)	(21)
28. Effectively communicate (verbal, non-verbal, written) when interacting with individuals, groups and organizations.	55.5%	39.0%	3.6%	1.4%	0.6%
	(739)	(519)	(48)	(18)	(8)

Domain 4: Personal and Professional Development

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
29. Examine and reflect on how my behavior and choices affect my personal and professional growth.	54.8%	37.6%	4.5%	1.9%	1.2%
	(730)	(501)	(60)	(25)	(16)
30. Accept responsibility for creating and achieving shared goals.	54.4%	40.0%	3.2%	1.3%	1.1%
	(725)	(533)	(42)	(17)	(15)
31. Develop new ideas and approaches to practice.	46.5%	41.3%	8.0%	2.3%	2.0%
	(619)	(550)	(106)	(30)	(27)
32. Act in a manner consistent with the trust given to pharmacists by patients, other healthcare providers and society.	59.7%	36.8%	1.3%	1.4%	0.9%
	(795)	(490)	(17)	(18)	(12)

Section III: General Impressions

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unable to Comment
33. If I were starting my education over today, I would choose pharmacy as a career.	28.8%	35.7%	19.4%	11.8%	4.4%
	(384)	(475)	(258)	(157)	(58)
34. If I were starting my education over today, I would choose the same college/school of pharmacy.	44.8%	31.8%	11.0%	9.2%	3.2%
	(597)	(424)	(147)	(122)	(42)
35. I received a high quality pharmacy education.	51.4%	37.1%	5.9%	3.4%	2.3%
	(685)	(494)	(78)	(45)	(30)

Question 36 is an open-ended comment question and not included in this report

Section IV: Demographic Questions

37. Year of Graduation:

	Response Percent	Response Total
2021	32.6%	434
2020	22.1%	295
2019	22.3%	297
2018	8.8%	117
2017	14.2%	189

38. Please check the option below that best describes the learning environment in which you were enrolled:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Main campus	93.1%	1240
Distance/Satellite/Branch campus	6.2%	83
Web-based program	0.7%	9

38(a). Did you apply for governmental (state or federal) student loan repayment programs?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Yes	69.9%	931
No	30.1%	401

38(b). Did you receive governmental (state or federal) student loan repayment programs?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Yes	65.2%	868
No	34.8%	464

39. In addition to receiving your Pharm.D. degree, have you completed or are you currently pursuing any type of postgraduate education/training?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Yes	36.5%	486
No	63.5%	846

40. If the answer to Question #39 above is "Yes"; please check all that apply.

	Response Percent	Response Total
Master's; please specify type:	N/A	135
Other Professional Doctorate (JD, M.D., D.D.S.)	N/A	9
Ph.D.	N/A	17
Residency in Pharmacy Practice (any type)	N/A	305
Specialty Residency (e.g., Drug Information, Pediatric, Primary care)	N/A	114
Fellowship	N/A	52
Other; please specify type:	N/A	43

41. What is your level of involvement with the school or college?

	Response Percent	Response Total
None	32.0%	426
Minimal	40.4%	538
Moderate	21.0%	280
Heavy	6.6%	88

42. To what extent are you employed in pharmacy? (Check all that apply)

	Response Percent	Response Total
Part-time	N/A	133
Full time (35 hrs and above)	N/A	1119
Not currently practicing	N/A	86
No longer in pharmacy profession	N/A	19
Student (post graduate education/training)	N/A	67

43. In which state are you primarily practicing?* (continued on next page)

Response Percent	Response Total
5.0%	66
0.6%	8
0.3%	4
0%	0
2.0%	26
0.8%	11
16.6%	218
0.4%	5
1.0%	13
0.2%	3
0.1%	1
4.3%	57
0.9%	12
0%	0
	0
0.3%	4
3.1%	41
2.7%	35
0.7%	9
0.2%	3
4.1%	54
1.1%	15
0.2%	2
1.4%	18
	22
1.5%	20
0%	0
0.7%	9
1.2%	16
0.5%	7
0.1%	1
	2
2.6%	34
0.2%	3
3.1%	41
0.2%	3
7.8%	102
1.8%	24
	5.0% 0.6% 0.3% 0% 2.0% 0.8% 16.6% 0.4% 1.0% 0.2% 0.1% 4.3% 0.9% 0% 0% 0.3% 3.1% 2.7% 0.7% 0.2% 4.1% 1.1% 0.2% 1.4% 1.7% 1.5% 0% 0.7% 1.2% 0.7% 0.7% 0.2% 2.6% 0.1% 0.2% 3.1%

North Dakota (ND)	0.1%	1
Ohio (OH)	5.9%	77
Oklahoma (OK)	0.5%	6
Oregon (OR)	0.3%	4
Pennsylvania (PA)	4.7%	62
Puerto Rico	0.1%	1
Rhode Island (RI)	0.2%	2
South Carolina (SC)	0.2%	3
South Dakota (SD)	0.1%	1
Tennessee (TN)	7.0%	92
Texas (TX)	5.8%	76
Utah (UT)	2.0%	26
Vermont (VT)	0.1%	1
Virgin Islands	0%	0
Virginia (VA)	2.8%	37
Wake Islands	0%	0
Washington (WA)	0.5%	7
West Virginia (WV)	0.8%	10
Wisconsin (WI)	1.4%	18
Wyoming (WY)	0%	0

44. In what type of setting are you primarily practicing or employed?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Chain community pharmacy	N/A	428
Independent community pharmacy	N/A	160
Hospital	N/A	473
Clinic-based pharmacy	N/A	130
Consultant	N/A	31
Home care	N/A	19
Nursing home/Long-term care facility	N/A	41
Academia	N/A	57
Association management	N/A	4
Pharmaceutical industry	N/A	70
Managed care	N/A	40
Government or regulatory agency	N/A	33
Other Pharmacy Related Field	N/A	73
Non-Pharmacy related field	N/A	12
Not currently employed	N/A	41

45. In which pharmacy organizations are you currently a member? (Check all that apply)

	Response Percent	Response Total
APhA	N/A	427
ASHP	N/A	322
AMCP	N/A	22
AACP	N/A	29
ACCP	N/A	107
ASCP	N/A	9
NCPA	N/A	37
State Pharmacy Association	N/A	284
Other	N/A	127
None	N/A	553

46. In the pharmacy organization with which you are most engaged, how would you assess your level of involvement?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Minimal (occasionally attend meetings)	74.8%	583
Moderate (regularly attend meetings, occasionally serve on committees)	17.8%	139
Heavy (regularly serve on committees and/or serve as an officer)	7.3%	57

47. Are you currently serving, or have you served in the past as a preceptor for any pharmacy students?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Yes	35.2%	469
No	64.8%	863

48(a). How do you describe yourself?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Female	60.2%	791
Trans Female/Trans Woman	0.2%	2
Male	36.3%	477
Trans Male/Trans Man	0.1%	1
Other not listed above	0.2%	2
Prefer not to disclose	3.1%	41

48(b). Do you consider yourself to be:

	Response Percent	Response Total
Heterosexual or Straight	87.4%	1141
Gay or Lesbian	2.2%	29
Bisexual	2.6%	34
Other not listed above	0.8%	10
Prefer not to disclose	7.0%	91

49. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

	Response Percent	Response Total
No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	88.7%	1163
Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano	2.8%	37
Yes, Puerto Rican	0.5%	6
Yes, Cuban	0.4%	5
Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin	2.2%	29
Prefer not to disclose	5.4%	71

50. I identify as (check all that apply):

	Response Percent ^a	Response Total
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.5%	6
Asian	26.4%	343
Black or African American	8.5%	111
Middle Eastern or North African	4.4%	57
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.4%	5
White	53.4%	694
Other not listed above	1.8%	23
Prefer not to disclose	7.6%	99

a. Respondents were able to select multiple options; therefore, percentages do not represent mutually exclusive answer choices and may not total to 100%.

51. When you were a student, did you identify as a first-generation student?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Yes, neither of my parents completed a college/university degree	37.3%	488
No	58.1%	760
Prefer not to disclose	4.5%	59

52. Which is the language you know best?

	Response Percent	Response Total
English	91.2%	1195
Other	5.5%	72
Prefer not to disclose	3.4%	44

53. How would you describe your English Language Proficiency?

	Response Percent	Response Total
Native	73.4%	962
Advanced	21.0%	275
Intermediate	2.3%	30
Beginner	0.1%	1
Prefer not to disclose	3.3%	43