FINALIZED - Current Students' Accordion (LECOM Pharm)

This document is for Messiah College students prior to the start of their junior year.

Admission Requirements for Bachelors' + Pharm.D. Early Assurance Program for Doctor of Pharmacy through Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine for Current Messiah College Students

Admission is open to current Messiah College students who reach or exceed the following academic benchmarks:

- high school GPA of 3.5 or higher on an unweighted 4.0 scale;
- combined SAT score of at least 1240 on the evidence-based reading & writing and math composite requirement; OR
- ACT score of at least 26; and
- have completed at least 25 hours of pharmacy-related experience by the time of their interview at LECOM.
- Prospective students who fall into this category are eligible to interview with LECOM as high school seniors for a provisional acceptance into the LECOM / Pharm.D. program before graduating from high school.

Other Details:

- Application is initiated by the current high school student through this LECOM link: (http://portal.lecom.edu) prior to March 1 of the year of Messiah matriculation.
- High school students should contact the Martha Smith, Coordinator of Pre-Health Professions Advising for additional EAP enrollment requirements.
- High school applicants are required to interview during their senior year of high school with a LECOM representative. Interviews are in-person; either on a LECOM campus, in an offsite location, or by videoconferencing.
- Students accepted into the LECOM EAP Pharm.D. program as high school seniors will receive a *provisional* acceptance letter to this program.
- In order to maintain their LECOM EAP provisional accepted status, as Messiah students current high school seniors will be expected to meet the GPA and shadowing, submit all required information to LECOM in a timely manner, and to participate in the "keeping in touch" activities initiated by LECOM

Acacemic Requirements for Bachelors' + Pharm.D. Early Assurance Program for Doctor of Pharmacy through Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine for Current High School Students Accepted and Planning to Attend Messiah College

Participating students may pursue the major of their choice as long as it includes the required coursework. (That said, most students elect to be biology or chemistry/biochemistry majors.)

- 6 Credit Hours of English
- 8 Credit Hours Biology including labs, minimum
- 8 Credit Hours Inorganic Chemistry including labs
- 8 Credit Hours Organic Chemistry including labs
- 4 Credit Hours of Physics including lab, minimum
- 3 Credit Hours of Stats
- 3 Credit Hours of Calculus
- 3 Credit Hours Economics (macro, micro or general)
- 3 Credit Hours psychology or sociology

GPA Requirements

Students are eligible to participate in this program by meeting these program requirements and interviewing at the end of their **sophomore** year:

- Overall GPA of 3.3/4.0
- Science GPA of 3.1/4.0
- SAT (Math + Critical Reasoning) ≥ 1240 **OR**
- ACT Composite Score ≥ 26
- Working to obtain the required 75hours of Pharmacy-related experience by the time of their matriculation to LECOM.

After graduating from Messiah College, at the **time of their transition to LECOM**, students must reach or exceed the following benchmarks:

- Overall GPA of 3.4/4.0;
- Science GPA of 3.2/4.0; and
- 75 hours of pharmacy-related experience.

PCAT

Students are not required to take the PCAT, but they are required to submit a writing sample.

Curriculum Options

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- The time that it takes a student to earn his/her undergraduate degree from Messiah College varies.
 Some students are able to complete the degree in fewer than four years depending on a variety of factors including summer school attendance, AP test scores and college dual-enrollment during high school. Regardless of the timing, the undergraduate degree must be completed prior to matriculating at LECOM.

Other

- A grade of at least 'C' is required to transfer prerequisite coursework.
- No required class should be taken P/F
- Required classes should be taken at Messiah College unless approval is granted.
- The undergraduate portion of this agreement is Phase I. Phase II begins after transitioning to LECOM/
- At least 75 hours of documented pharmacy-related experience must be completed at the time of matriculation to LECOM.
- Provisionally accepted students may not apply to any other pharmacy school. Application to another pharmacy school will result in the loss of the student's provisional acceptance.
- LECOM will try to honor the applicant's campus choice.
- Applicants must be U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents or be an international student with an F-1 VISA.