Clinical Pharmacy, International Practice and Policy MSc

This MSc is an advanced-level programme offered by UCL School of Pharmacy together with several local hospitals or teaching hospitals within London. It is designed for overseas pharmacists who wish to develop the clinical expertise and leadership skills needed to deliver enhanced pharmacy services adapted to their home countries.

Degree summary

Pharmacists will develop clinical pharmacy skills, inquisitive and enquiring approaches to practice and pharmaceutical care delivery, critical thinking and appraisal skills, transferable skills for pharmaceutical care services in new settings and environments, and an international perspective on healthcare systems and health needs of different populations worldwide.

The programme is centred on the health priorities of the World Health Organisation, which includes diabetes, cardiovascular and infectious diseases. Approximately half of the programme is delivered through taught modules at the UCL School of Pharmacy with the remaining time spent gaining clinical and research experience at hospitals in the London area under the tutelage of clinical pharmacy specialists.

Students develop new learning styles as they progress through the programme. This makes for a stimulating and challenging year where self-development is central.

This programme has drawn international students from approximately 40 countries worldwide.

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures and workshops, case tutorials and small-group work. Assessment is through written examination, coursework, research projects and oral presentations.

Degree structure

Mode: Full-time: 1 year
Location: London, Bloomsbury

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of four compulsory modules (120 credits) and a dissertation (60 credits).

Please note that the list of modules given here is indicative. This information is published a long time in advance of enrolment and module content and availability is subject to change.

**COMPULSORY MODULES**

- Clinical Pharmacy Practice and Policy I
- Clinical Pharmacy Practice and Policy II
- Clinical Practice at Placement Site
- Leadership, Healthcare and Pharmacy Innovation

For more information on the modules, please go to the School of Pharmacy website

**OPTIONAL MODULES**

- There are no optional modules for this programme.

**RESEARCH PROJECT/REPORT**

- All students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a dissertation of 10,000 words.
Your career

Graduates of this programme usually return to their home countries to work in government ministries, hospitals and universities, or pursue a PhD in the UK or overseas.
Entry requirements

A minimum of a second-class Bachelor’s degree in pharmacy from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard, and registration as a pharmacist. At least one year’s relevant work experience in a clinical setting is normally required. Applicants must be familiar with standard software packages including Word, Excel and PowerPoint.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Good.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at:
www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:
// how your academic and professional background meets the demands of Clinical Pharmacy, International Practice and Policy
// why you want to study Clinical Pharmacy, International Practice and Policy at graduate level
// what particularly attracts you to this programme at the UCL School of Pharmacy
// where you would like to go professionally with your degree and how this programme meets these needs

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

There is an application processing fee for this programme of £75 for online applications and £100 for paper applications. Further information can be found at:
www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application.