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Circular

Pharm.D: General Rules

Duration of the course: The duration of the course shall be six academic years (five years of study and one year of internship or residency) full time with each academic year spread over a period of not less than two hundred working days. The period of six years duration is divided into two phases – Phase I – consisting of First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth academic year. Phase II – consisting of internship or residency training during sixth year involving posting in speciality units. It is a phase of training wherein a student is exposed to actual pharmacy practice or clinical pharmacy services and acquires skill under supervision so that he or she may become capable of functioning independently.

- 1) Minimum qualification for admission to Pharm.D. Part-I Course A pass in any of the following examinations
- 10+2 examination with Physics and Chemistry as compulsory subjects along with one of the following subjects: Mathematics or Biology
- A pass in D.Pharm course from an institution approved by the Pharmacy Council of India under section 12 of the Pharmacy Act
- Any other qualification approved by the Pharmacy Council of India as equivalent to any of the above examinations
- Provided that a student should complete the age of 17 years on or before 31st December of the year of admission to the course
- Provided that there shall be reservation of seats for the students belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other Backward Classes in accordance with the instructions issued by the Central Government/State Government/Union Territory Administration as the case may be from time to time
- Number of admissions shall be as prescribed by the Pharmacy Council of India from time to time and presently be restricted up to 30 students

Admission will be done in the following sequence:

- 40% seats for D.Pharm Students of Gujarat and 60% seats for the 10+2 students of Gujarat with Physics and Chemistry as compulsory subjects along with one of the following subjects: Mathematics or Biology
- If any of the seats are vacant after first merit, in any of the above mentioned category it can be interchanged.



- If still seats are vacant, students who have completed D. Pharm from the other states of India can be considered.
- If still seats are vacant, students who have completed 10+2 with Physics and Chemistry as compulsory subjects along with one of the following subjects: Mathematics or Biology from the other states of India can be considered

2) Credit Structure, Mininum credits to confer degree

• Minimum credit required to confer the degree of Pharm. D: 170 (1st Year to 5th Year) and 200 Credits (6th Year)

3) Passing Criteria

- Minimum marks for passing examination.— A student shall not be declared to have passed examination unless he or she secures at least 50% marks in each of the subjects separately in all the four heads (E, M, V and I)
- The students securing 60% marks or above in aggregate in all subjects in a single attempt at the Pharm.D course examination shall be declared to have passed in first class. Students securing 75% marks or above in any subject or subjects shall be declared to have passed with distinction in the subject or those subjects provided he or she passes in all the subjects in a single attempt.

4) Rules for Backlog/detention:

All students who have appeared for all the subjects and passed the first year annual examination are eligible for promotion to the second year and, so on. However, failure in more than two subjects shall debar him or her from promotion to the next year classes. Failure in multiple components in a subject will be considered as a single backlog same as that of Bachelor of Engineering.

5) Rules for grant of term

Only such students who produce certificate from the Head of the Institution in which he or she has undergone the Pharm.D, in proof of his or her having regularly and satisfactorily undergone the course of study by attending not less than 80% of the classes held both in theory and in practical separately in each subject shall be eligible for appearing at examination. (10% less attendance will be allowed only for critical illness of the student subject to produce the medical certificate)



- 6) Mode of exam (Internal/External), (Theory, Practical)
- Theory examination shall be of three hours and practical examination shall be of four hours duration
- Practical examination shall also consist of a viva –voce (Oral) examination
- Award of sessional marks and maintenance of records: A regular record of both theory and practical class work and examinations conducted in an institution imparting training for Pharm.D shall be maintained for each student in the institution and 30 marks for each theory and 30 marks for each practical subject shall be allotted as sessional.
- There shall be at least two periodic sessional examinations during each academic year and the highest aggregate of any two performances shall form the basis of calculating sessional marks.
- The sessional marks in practicals shall be allotted on the following basis:- (i) Actual performance in the sessional examination (20 marks); (ii) Day to day assessment in the practical class work, promptness, viva-voce record maintenance, etc. (10 marks).
- Clerkship examination Oral examination shall be conducted after the completion of clerkship of students. An external and an internal examiner will evaluate the student. Students may be asked to present the allotted medical cases followed by discussion. Students' capabilities in delivering clinical pharmacy services, pharmaceutical care planning and knowledge of therapeutics shall be assessed
- Each examination may be held twice every year. The first examination in a year shall be the annual examination and the second examination shall be supplementary examination

7) Calculation for Grades CPI/CGPA

As per the norms of the Gujarat Technological University

(Pharmacy Council of India) will be final in any decision.

-sd-I/c Registrar