

Introduction to Pharmacy (PHRA 1301)



Credit: 3 semester credit hours (3 hours lecture)

Prerequisite: Complete the TSI Assessment Tests with 343/Mathematics, 347/Reading, and 357/4/Writing

Course Description

An overview of the qualifications, operational guidelines, and job duties of a pharmacy technician.

Required Textbook and Materials

1. Pharmacy Practice for Technicians, 5th Edition with Study Partner CD
Authors: Don A. Ballington and Robert J. Anderson
ISBN: 978-0-76385-226-9

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Outline the history of the pharmacy profession
2. Describe the role of the pharmacy technician in a variety of settings
3. List the qualifications required for obtaining certification and registration
4. Identify standards of law and ethics governing pharmacy practice
5. Define key medical terms and abbreviations related to pharmacy practice
6. Explain the importance of utilizing pharmacy resource materials
7. Summarize safety standards

Course Outline

- A. Chapter 1: The Profession of Pharmacy
 1. The Origins of Pharmacy Practice
 2. The Pharmacy Workplace
 3. The Pharmacist
 4. The Pharmacy Technician
- B. Chapter 2: Pharmacy Law, Regulations, and Standards
 1. The Need for Drug Control
 2. History of U.S. Statutory Pharmacy Law
 3. Regulatory Law- Role of National Oversight Agencies
 4. Legal Duties of Pharmacy Personnel
 5. Violations of Laws and Regulations
 6. Drug and Professional Standards
- C. Chapter 14: Your Future in Pharmacy Practice
 1. Increasing Your Employability
 2. Job Search
 3. Ethics in Pharmacy Practice
 4. Trends in Pharmacy Practice

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Grade Scale

90 – 100	A
80 – 89	B
70 – 79	C
60 – 69	D
0 – 59	F

Course Evaluation

Final grades will be calculated according to the following criteria:

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| 1. Quizzes/Homework | 30% |
| 2. Exams | 20% |
| 3. Final Exam | 25% |
| 4. Journals | 15% |
| 5. Attendance | 10% |

Course Requirements

1. Quizzes and Homework
2. Exams and Final Exam
3. Journals

Course Policies

1. No food, drinks, or use of tobacco products in class.
2. Beepers, telephones, headphones, and any other electronic devices must be turned off while in class.
3. Do not bring children to class.
4. No late assignments will be accepted.
5. Tests. Students that miss a test are not allowed to make up the test. Students that miss a test will receive a grade of '0'.
6. Attendance Policy. Two absences are allowed. If a student is tardy to class or departs early three (3) times, it will be equal to one (1) absence. Each absence beyond two absences will result in a 5 point deduction from your final grade.
7. If you wish to drop a course, the student is responsible for initiating and completing the drop process. If you stop coming to class and fail to drop the course, you will earn an 'F' in the course.
8. Additional class policies as defined by the individual course instructor.

Disabilities Statement

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1992 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 are federal anti-discrimination statutes that provide comprehensive civil rights for persons with disabilities. Among other things, these statutes require that all students with

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documented disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodations for their disabilities. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the Special Populations Coordinator at (409) 880-1737 or visit the office in Student Services, Cecil Beeson Building.

Course Schedule

Week	Topic	Reference
Aug. 26	Introduction, Icebreaker, Syllabi, expectation	
Aug. 28	Journal writing, Chapter 1-lecture, homework assignment # 1	
Sept. 02	Holiday (no class)	
Sept. 04	Journal writing, lecture	
Sept. 09	Journal writing, lecture, in class activity, homework assignment #2	
Sept. 11	Journal writing, Quiz #1, lecture	
Sept. 16	Journal writing, Quiz# 2, lecture	
Sept. 18	Journal writing, recap chapter1, homework assignment # 3	
Sept. 23	In class work and review for Test I, and turn in journals	
Sept. 25	Test I	
Sept. 30	Journal writing, Chapter 2 lecture	
Oct. 02	Journal writing, lecture, homework assignment #4	
Oct. 07	Journal writing, Quiz #3, lecture	
Oct. 09	Journal writing, lecture, in class activity	
Oct. 14	Journal writing, lecture	
Oct. 16	Journal writing, lecture, homework assignment #5	
Oct. 21	Journal writing, lecture, in class activity	
Oct. 23	Journal writing, lecture, recap Chapter 2	
Oct. 28	Quiz #4, review for Test II, turn in journals	
Oct. 30	Test II	
Nov. 04	Journal writing, Chapter 14 lecture	
Nov. 06	Journal writing, lecture, homework assignment #6	
Nov. 11	Journal writing, lecture, in class assignment	
Nov. 13	Journal writing, lecture, homework assignment #7	
Nov. 18	Quiz #5, journal writing, lecture	

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Nov. 20	Journal writing, review for Test III, homework assignment #8	
Nov. 25	Test III, turn in all completed journals	
Nov. 27	Holiday (no class)	
Dec. 02	Turn in folders with completed assignments, recap chapters	
Dec. 04	Review for Final Exam	

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