PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES (PHM SCI)

PHM SCI 254 – Tiny Earth Genomics - Researching Uncultured Antibiotic-Producing Microbes
3 credits.

Collaborate on a research project from the conception of research questions through data analysis and the effective communication of results. Explore the biosynthesis of antibiotics and other small molecules by uncultured bacteria through the analysis of culture-independent DNA sequencing (metagenomics) data, learning about bioinformatics and genomics along the way. Make new discoveries of microbial species and biochemical pathways.

Requisites: ZOOLOGY/BIOLOGY 101, ZOOLOGY/BIOLOGY/BOTANY 151, MICROBIO 101, 303, or BIOCORE 381

Course Designation: Breadth - Biological Sci. Counts toward the Natural Sci req
Level - Intermediate
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: No

PHM SCI 310 – Drugs and Their Actions
2 credits.

Introduces students to the biological effects of drugs on human health. Emphasis on how drugs, especially those used in diseases of major human health significance, act in the body. Drugs that are abused also will be covered. This course is not intended for medical, nursing, pharmacy, and physician assistant students.

Requisites: Not open to students declared in the Nursing, Physician Assistant, or Doctor of Pharmacy programs

Course Designation: Breadth - Biological Sci. Counts toward the Natural Sci req
Level - Intermediate
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: No

Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 420 – Physicochemical Principles of Drug Formulation and Delivery
3 credits.

Applications of physicochemical principles to pharmaceutical systems.

Requisites: Declared in Doctor of Pharmacy program

Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No

Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI/B M E 430 – Biological Interactions with Materials
3 credits.

Addresses the range of materials currently being utilized for various biomedical applications, the biological systems governing biomaterial applications, analytical techniques pertinent to biomaterial evaluation, and selected major medical applications in which biomaterials play an important role.

Requisites: (ZOOLOGY/BIOLOGY 101 and 102, ZOOLOGY/BIOLOGY/BOTANY 151, ZOOLOGY 153, or BIOCORE 383) and (CHEM 341 or 343)

Repeatable for Credit: No

Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 432 – Pharmaceutical Biochemistry
4 credits.

Chemistry of metabolic processes and products of living matter with emphasis on pharmaceutical and medicinal aspects as well as recombinant DNA technology. Laboratory experience with the chemistry of metabolic processes, products of living matter and recombinant DNA.

Requisites: Declared in Doctor of Pharmacy program
Repeatable for Credit: No

Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 490 – Selected Topics in Pharmaceutical Sciences
1-4 credits.

Specialized subject matter of current interest to undergraduate and professional students.

Requisites: Consent of instructor
Repeatable for Credit: Yes, unlimited number of completions

Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 493 – Selected Topics in Pharmaceutical Sciences
1-4 credits.

Specialized subject matter of current interest to graduate students.

Requisites: Graduate/professional standing

Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: Yes, unlimited number of completions

Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 521 – Pharmacology I
3 credits.

Pharmacological actions of important drugs, including drugs that affect the peripheral and central nervous systems.

Requisites: Declared in the Doctor of Pharmacy program with second year standing; or declared in Pharmacology and Toxicology BS, BIOCHEM 508, PATH 404, and (ANAT&PHY 335, 435, or BIOCORE 486)

Repeatable for Credit: No

Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI/PHMCOL-M 522 – Pharmacology II
3-4 credits.

Pharmacological actions of important drugs, including hematopoietic, thrombolytic, antihyperlipidemic, immunopharmacologic, anticaner, anti-inflammatory, diuretic, antihypertensive, antianginal, and anti-arrhythmic agents, and agents used to treat congestive heart failure.

Requisites: PHM SCI 521
Repeatable for Credit: No

Last Taught: Spring 2023
PHM SCI 531 — Medicinal Chemistry I  
3 credits.  
Basic concepts in the chemistry of small molecule medicinal products.  
Structure activity of cholinergic, adrenergic, serotoninergic and  
dopaminergic agents, antidepressant, anxiolytic drugs, opioids, and  
antihistamines. Overview of drug metabolism and the clinical effects  
of metabolic drug interactions and genetic variability in drug metabolism  
genres.  
Requisites: PHM SCI 432  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 532 — Medicinal Chemistry II  
2 credits.  
Chemistry of medicinal products, including antihyperlipidemics,  
glucocorticoids, estrogens, progestins, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory,  
antitumor agents, and enzyme inhibitors.  
Requisites: PHM SCI 531  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 540 — Drug Delivery Systems for Pharmacotherapy  
3 credits.  
A series of lectures by experts covering: i) introductory drug development  
and delivery system development processes; ii) various drug delivery  
routes (oral, topical, rectal, vaginal, urethral, nasal, and pulmonary); iii)  
various delivery systems (conventional, ophthalmic, CNS, and recent  
advances); iv) delivery systems related to biofilms, infection, and vaccines.  
Requisites: Declared in the Doctor of Pharmacy program with second  
year standing  
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate  
coursework requirement  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 541 — Pharmaceutical Calculations, Dispensing and  
Compounding  
3 credits.  
Introductory laboratory course in compounding and dispensing of  
pharmaceutical dosage forms, including sterile products. Includes practice  
in interpretation of prescription orders, pharmaceutical calculations,  
compounding procedures, physical manipulation of drugs and dosage form  
components, and product packaging and labeling.  
Requisites: PHM SCI 420  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 542 — Parenteral Therapy and Nutrition  
3 credits.  
An introduction to parenteral therapy and nutrition focusing on the  
fundamental properties, calculations involved and the methods to prepare  
safe and reliable injectable medications for patients.  
Requisites: PHM SCI 541 and concurrent registration in PHM SCI 540  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 558 — Laboratory Techniques in Pharmacology and  
Toxicology  
2 credits.  
Basic laboratory techniques employed in pharmacological and  
toxicological research.  
Requisites: Declared in the Pharmacology and Toxicology undergraduate  
program  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 561 — Molecular and Cellular Principles in Pharmacology  
4 credits.  
Provides an in-depth introduction to the molecular and cellular principles  
of pharmacology. Emphasis is on the mechanisms of drug and small  
molecule action in cells, with a particular focus on downstream signaling  
pathways, second messenger systems, protein kinase cascades, and the  
regulation of gene transcription.  
Requisites: PHM SCI 521  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 623 — Pharmacology III  
3 credits.  
Pharmacological actions and underlying basic and clinical science of  
antimicrobial and antiviral drugs. Pharmacology of hormones and other  
drugs affecting the endocrine system.  
Requisites: PHM SCI/PHMCOL-M 522  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI/M&ENVTOX/ONCOLOGY/PHMCOL-M/POP HLTH 625 —  
Toxicology I  
3 credits.  
Basic principles of toxicology and biochemical mechanisms of toxicity in  
mammalian species and man. Correlation between morphological and  
functional changes caused by toxicants in different organs of the body.  
Requisites: (BIOCHEM 501 or 508) and (ANAT&PHY 335, 435, or  
(BIOCORE 485 486)) and PATH 404; or graduate/professional standing  
Course Designation: Breadth - Biological Sci. Counts toward the Natural  
Sci req  
Level - Advanced  
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S  
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement  
Repeateble for Credit: No  
Last Taught: Fall 2023
PHM SCI/M&ENVTX/PATH/PHMCOL-M/POP HLTH 626 – Toxicology II
3 credits.
Survey of the basic methods and fundamental biochemical mechanisms of toxicity. Toxicity in mammalian organ systems, techniques for evaluating toxicity, as well as mechanisms of species specificity, and environmental interactions (with toxicant examples) are presented.
Requisites: POP HLTH/M&ENVTX/ONCOLOGY/PHM SCI/PHMCOL-M 625
Course Designation: Breadth - Biological Sci. Counts toward the Natural Sci req
Level - Advanced
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 679 – Pharmacology and Toxicology Seminar
1 credit.
Senior student presentations of independent research or of published papers on a specific topic approved by the course coordinator. Faculty-led seminars on selected topics regarding responsible conduct of research. The course also provides a venue for career talks by Pharmacology and Toxicology alumni and guests working in a variety of professional settings - research, industry (pharmaceutical; biotech; contract research; consumer products; etc.), a variety of healthcare professions, and law.
Requisites: Declared in the Pharmacology and Toxicology undergraduate program
Repeatable for Credit: Yes, for 2 number of completions
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 691 – Senior Thesis
2 credits.
Individual study for seniors completing theses as arranged with a faculty member.
Requisites: Consent of instructor
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 692 – Senior Thesis
2 credits.
Individual study for seniors completing theses as arranged with a faculty member.
Requisites: Consent of instructor
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2011

PHM SCI 699 – Advanced Independent Study
0-3 credits.
Directed study projects as arranged with a faculty member.
Requisites: Consent of instructor
Course Designation: Level - Advanced
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: Yes, unlimited number of completions
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 750 – The Drug Development Process
3 credits.
Overview of the drug development process from target identification, development, preclinical studies, clinical trials to post approval monitoring. Small and Large molecules (biologics) will be covered along with a basic coverage of regulatory authorities. Brief history of drug development as well as case studies that offer insights into the development and approval process. Comprehensive overview of the process of drug development, some of the decision-making logic, the vocabulary, and the ability to communicate within the industry.
Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences or Capstone Certificate in Applied Drug Development
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2022

PHM SCI 751 – Introduction to Regulatory Practice
3 credits.
Identifies and examines the key regulatory agencies and practices that govern the highly regulated and diverse pharmaceutical industry. Highlights current and emerging FDA and ICH regulations and guidance documents to successfully navigate meeting with the agencies and to submit required documentation for successful product development.
Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences or Capstone Certificate in Applied Drug Development
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 752 – GxP (Good Practice): Working in a Regulated Environment
3 credits.
The pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical industries have strict documentation and production requirements. Prepares the learner to work in a regulated environment. Explains roles and responsibilities across multiple disciplines and proper documentation practices. Prepares learner for protocol, report creation and audit responses. Discusses specifications, guidances and root-cause analysis.
Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences or Capstone Certificate in Applied Drug Development
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2023
PHM SCI 753 – Pharmaceutical Economics and Project Management
3 credits.

Provides an introduction to key terminology and lays a foundation of the critical body of knowledge project team members must master in a contemporary drug development enterprise. The latest project management theory is integrated with practical techniques and tools so that course participants learn to properly manage and schedule quality, budget, and progress objectives. Provides an overview of the economic structures, management and policy issues that drive and challenge the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries.

Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences or Capstone Certificate in Applied Drug Development
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 754 – Lifecycle Management of Pharmaceutical Products
3 credits.

Explores the process of bringing pharmaceutical products to market, particularly as it applies to the scaling up, manufacturing, and maintenance phases that come after FDA approval of a product is obtained. Identifies various factors that impact the life cycle management of pharmaceutical products from development to sustained large-scale distribution, such as: target product profile (TPP), chemistry, manufacturing and controls (CMC), active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) supply chain considerations, raw materials shortages, demand planning/forecasting, and post-approval regulatory considerations.

Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences: Applied Drug Development
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 755 – Laboratory and Instrumentation Methods
3 credits.

Teaches the theory and application of many common laboratory techniques and instruments used in drug discovery and development. Includes a laboratory component to teach safety and basic techniques necessary for working in a lab. Instruction begins with basic techniques and builds upon these techniques to instruct in proper sample preparation and handling for analysis using a variety of analytical instrumentation.

Requisites: Declared in the MS Pharmaceutical Sciences: Applied Drug Development
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 756 – Introduction to Data Analyses in Drug Development
3 credits.

Provides a high-level overview of how data analysis techniques augment the drug discovery and development process. Focuses on project-based skills-building through the application of industry-standard software and use of public databases. Explores best practices for data processing and management to ensure experimental reproducibility. Develops troubleshooting skills through critical evaluation of data analysis results and root cause analysis.

Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences: Applied Drug Development
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 757 – Survey of the Neuroactive Drug Development Process
2 credits.

Survey of the drug development process from target identification, development, preclinical studies, clinical trials to post-approval monitoring, particularly as applicable to neuroactive drugs. Differences between small and large molecules (biologics) will be covered, along with a basic coverage of regulatory authorities. A brief history of drug development will be provided, along with coverage of special topics related to stages of the drug development process. Broad survey-style overview of the phases in the drug development process, regulatory considerations, relevant vocabulary, and the ability to communicate within the industry.

Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences: Psychoactive Pharmaceutical Investigation
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 759 – Current Trends in Drug Discovery and Development
2 credits.

Provides the experience and skill to find, read and critically analyze scientific and regulatory literature in the field of drug discovery and development.

Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences or Capstone Certificate in Psychoactive Pharmaceutical Investigation
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 760 – Summative Research Internship
3-4 credits.

Summation of core coursework to a real-world project and/or internship experience. Synthesis of knowledge, skills and abilities to demonstrate aptitude for careers in respective industries.

Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Summer 2023
PHM SCI 761 – Introduction to Pharmacology
1 credit.

Introduction to basic concepts of drug delivery and action, methods used to study drug action. Includes a brief survey of drugs acting on the cardiovascular system, the central nervous system and other drug targets. 
Requisites: Declared in MS Pharmaceutical Sciences: Applied Drug Development
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 762 – The Drug Development Process I
3 credits.

Overview of the drug development process from discovery to approval. Process of drug development from target identification to investigational new drug (IND) submission including tenets of rational drug design, preclinical CMC activities, and preclinical pharmacology, pharmacokinetic, and toxicology studies. Small and large molecules (biologics/biotherapeutics) will be covered. Brief history of drug development and various case studies offering insights into preclinical drug development.
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 763 – The Drug Development Process II
3 credits.

Process of drug development from first-in-human (FIH) to regulatory submission for approval, including the different phases of clinical development, role of biomarkers and companion diagnostics in clinical trials, and chemistry, manufacturing, and controls of drug product. Discussion of clinical development of different modalities, including small molecules and protein therapeutics. 
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI/CHEM 766 – Molecular Recognition
2-3 credits.

Requisites: Graduate/professional standing
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2022

PHM SCI 768 – Pharmacokinetics
3 credits.

Quantitative aspects of drug absorption, distribution, metabolism, and excretion. Philosophy and applications of pharmacokinetic modeling and its use in clinical practice. 
Requisites: Graduate/professional standing
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 773 – Molecular Solids
2-3 credits.

Science and technology of molecular solid materials with applications in medicine, food, energetic materials, and organic electronics. 
Requisites: Graduate/professional standing
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2022

PHM SCI 775 – Polymeric Drug Delivery
3 credits.

Introduces synthetic and biological polymers applied for drug targeting and controlled drug release, focusing on injectable drugs, including biologics. 
Requisites: Graduate/professional standing
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2023

PHM SCI 780 – Principles of Pharmaceutical Sciences
3 credits.

Introductory-level graduate course providing overview of the drug development process, involving drug discovery, drug action, and drug delivery. Exposes students to cutting-edge research and the chemistry, biology, physical chemistry, and engineering that underpin pharmaceutical sciences research. 
Requisites: Graduate/professional standing
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2023

PHM SCI 786 – Natural Product Synthesis, Biosynthesis and Drug Discovery
3 credits.

Synthesis and biosynthesis of natural products in drug discovery. Topics include: natural products in drug discovery; biosynthetic pathways and synthetic strategies for major natural product classes; and basic bioorganic chemistry and enzyme mechanisms in biosynthesis.
Requisites: CHEM 345 and BIOCHEM 508
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2023
**PHM SCI 931 – Pharmaceutical Sciences Seminar**

1 credit.

Weekly series that provides exposure to a diverse array of research topics. Students enroll in one of three sections, corresponding to their research core (Drug Action, Drug Discovery, or Drug Delivery). Students in their 2nd year and beyond present their research progress or review literature. The course includes talks from nationally and internationally recognized scientists from academia and industry.

**Requisites:** Graduate/professional standing  
**Course Designation:** Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement  
**Repeatable for Credit:** Yes, unlimited number of completions  
**Last Taught:** Fall 2023

**PHM SCI 932 – Pharmaceutical Sciences Seminar**

1 credit.

Weekly series that provides exposure to a diverse array of research topics. Students enroll in one of three sections, corresponding to their research core (Drug Action, Drug Discovery, or Drug Delivery). Students in their 2nd-year and beyond present their research progress or review literature. The course includes talks from nationally and internationally recognized scientists from academia and industry.

**Requisites:** Graduate/professional standing  
**Course Designation:** Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement  
**Repeatable for Credit:** Yes, unlimited number of completions  
**Last Taught:** Spring 2023

**PHM SCI 990 – Research**

1-12 credits.

Independent research and writing for graduate and students under the supervision of a faculty member.

**Requisites:** Consent of instructor  
**Course Designation:** Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement  
**Repeatable for Credit:** Yes, unlimited number of completions  
**Last Taught:** Fall 2023

**PHM SCI 999 – Advanced Independent Study**

1-12 credits.

Directed study projects for graduate students as arranged with a faculty member.

**Requisites:** Consent of instructor  
**Course Designation:** Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement  
**Repeatable for Credit:** Yes, unlimited number of completions  
**Last Taught:** Fall 2023