

PHARMACY, M.S.

The pharmacy master's program is a **two-year, combined pharmacy administrative residency** (an ASHP Accredited (<https://accred.ashp.org/aps/pages/directory/residencyprogramsearch.aspx>) PGY-1 and PGY-2, hosted by the UW Health Department of Pharmacy) and **academic degree program**, which culminates in a M.S. degree, emphasizing health system pharmacy management and leadership.

Applicants must be eligible for licensure as a pharmacist in the State of Wisconsin at the point of beginning the program. The program is designed to provide the pharmacy resident/graduate student with a solid academic foundation and experience in the administration of exemplary pharmaceutical services across an integrated health system.

The primary objective of the program is to develop health system pharmacy administrators who are trained and prepared to immediately assume administrative leadership positions within large, integrated health care delivery systems at the level of managers and assistant directors, and eventually as directors of pharmacy. These positions include oversight of pharmacy operations, clinical programs, medication safety, new business development, supply chain, etc. Residents complete clinical and management rotations in the first year of the program, and advanced administrative and elective rotations in the second year (chosen from a variety of settings, as desired by the resident). The curriculum's flexibility allows for specialization in administrative areas that best complement the student's career goals. Resident activities are varied in scope, depending on each individual's background and areas of interest.

See the **detailed program overview** (including a description of rotations; program strengths; resident competency objectives; projects; presentation, teaching, and travel opportunities).

The UW Health Department of Pharmacy is a leader in the profession, and a leader within the University of Wisconsin Hospital & Clinics in the areas of technology assessment, new business development, information technology, patient safety, resource utilization and regulatory compliance. In 2006, this residency program proudly accepted the inaugural ASHP Foundation Pharmacy Residency Program Excellence Award for producing leaders across the profession.