Licensure Requirements

Laws in all states, including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, require applicants for licensure to: 1) be of good moral character; 2) be at least 21 years of age (Arizona is an exception); 3) have graduated from a Doctor of Pharmacy degree program of an ACPE-accredited college or school of pharmacy; and 4) have passed two examinations given by the board of pharmacy. All states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands use the North American Pharmacy Licensure Examination (NAPLEX) and NABP Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE).

All jurisdictions require candidates for licensure to have a record of practical experience or internship training acquired under the supervision and instruction of a licensed practitioner. Some states, including Arizona, accept the training completed during a formal academic program, e.g., CPG's Pharm.D. Program.

Midwestern University College of Pharmacy's Doctor of Pharmacy program meets the educational requirements for licensure to practice as a pharmacist in the following states and territories: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

Each student should check the additional licensure requirements for the state, district or territory in which they intend to pursue employment.

Special Note: Licensure in the states of Arkansas and South Dakota requires an additional 240 hours of pharmacy practice experiences.

Midwestern University College of Pharmacy, Glendale Campus has not made a determination that its Doctor of Pharmacy Program curriculum meets the territorial educational requirements for licensure or certification in the following territories: Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Students in this program receive a direct notification that Midwestern University has not made a determination if their program meets the requirements in the above listed territories.

Publications concerning the NAPLEX licensure examination and internship experience are available from the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, 1600 Feehanville Drive, Mount Prospect, IL 60056; 847/391-4406, www.nabp.pharmacy.

For further information regarding licensure, please contact the Office of the Dean.