

PHARMACOLOGY (PH.D.)

or the equivalent, upon approval by the Graduate Training Committee (GTC.)

Offered by: Pharmacology and Therapeutics (Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences)

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy

Program Description

The Ph.D. in Pharmacology focuses on research methodology, conducting a research project, analyzing data, and writing a thesis. It involves training in research professionalism, scientific communication, and statistics, critically analyzing scientific literature, and developing and conducting an original research project for scientific publication.

Note: For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

Thesis

A thesis for the doctoral degree must constitute original scholarship and must be a distinct contribution to knowledge. It must show familiarity with previous work in the field and must demonstrate ability to plan and carry out research, organize results, and defend the approach and conclusions in a scholarly manner. The research presented must meet current standards of the discipline; as well, the thesis must clearly demonstrate how the research advances knowledge in the field. Finally, the thesis must be written in compliance with norms for academic and scholarly expression and for publication in the public domain.

Required Courses (9 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits
PHAR 602	Principles of Pharmacology.	3
PHAR 609	Research Professionalism for Pharmacologists.	1
PHAR 610	Scientific Communication for Pharmacologists.	2
PHAR 701	Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam.	0
PHAR 712	Statistics for Pharmacologists.	3

Complementary Courses (3 credits)

3 credits from the following:

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Course	Title	Credits
PHAR 702	Topics in Pharmacology 1.	3
PHAR 703	Topics in Pharmacology 2.	3
PHAR 704	Topics in Pharmacology 3.	3
PHAR 705	Topics in Pharmacology 4.	3
PHAR 706	Topics in Pharmacology 5.	3
PHAR 707	Topics in Pharmacology 6.	3