# PCAT School Survey

Please take a moment to complete this PCAT survey on behalf of your college or school of pharmacy, regardless of whether your college or school of pharmacy has ever required the PCAT for admission.

Only aggregated responses will be reported.

One response per institution is due by June 3, 2019.

Contact AACP student affairs staff at cas@aacp.org, if questions. Thank you!

### 2018-2019 Admissions Cycle

Select the option that best describes your school's PCAT policy during the 2018-2019 admissions cycle?

Required for all applicants Required for some applicants, but not all Accepted and considered, but not required Not required nor considered Other (describe)

If only some groups of applicants were required to take the PCAT, briefly describe policy. (e.g., School does not require early assurance students to take the PCAT.)

If the PCAT was accepted or considered, but not required, briefly describe policy. (e.g., School considered PCAT scores when an applicant had a weak academic record or GPA).

Did your college/school use PCAT scores to identify at-risk students who might need early intervention or remediation?

Yes No Not Sure Not Applicable

PCAT Essay

Did your college/school consider PCAT writing scores in its admission decisions?

Yes No Not Sure Not Applicable

Did your college/school use the PCAT writing scores to fulfill ACPE's writing requirement?

Yes No Not Sure Not Applicable

PCAT currently provides test-takers with one essay prompt. Should candidates be presented with two prompts and allowed to select whichever one they prefer? If done, scoring of the PCAT essay may take longer.

Yes No Not Sure No Preference Not Applicable

Describe possible topic areas for the PCAT essay prompts.

Select the option that best describes your college/school's admissions practices for taking action on applications before official PCAT scores (with the writing scores) are received.

College/school invited applicants for interviews before official PCAT scores were received.

Always Often Sometimes Rarely Never Not Sure Not Applicable

College/school made admission decisions before official PCAT scores were received.

Always Often Sometimes Rarely Never Not Sure Not Applicable

#### **Other Writing Assessments**

Did your college/school use the PharmCAS personal statement as a writing sample to fulfill ACPE's writing requirement for any applicants?

Yes No Not Sure Not Applicable

Did your college/school require an on-campus essay as part of the interview process?

Yes No Not Sure Not Applicable

### 2019-2020 Admissions Cycle

Select the option that best describes your college/school's PCAT policy for the upcoming 2019-2020 cycle?

Required for all applicants Required for some applicants, but not all Accepted and considered, but not required Not required nor considered Undecided at this time Other (describe)

## PCAT Concerns

To what extent do you agree with the following statements relative to the PCAT fee for testtakers?

The PCAT fee may prevent low income students from applying to my pharmacy college/school.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree N/A

The PCAT fee may prevent students from applying to my college/school, if other programs in my region do not require the exam.

Strongly Agree Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree N/A

If your college/school does not require (or will no longer require) the PCAT for admission, please select the reasons for the decision. Check all that apply.

PCAT does not adequately assess content areas.

PCAT is too long for test-takers.

PCAT test dates do not meet our needs.

PCAT is too expensive for applicants.

PCAT scoring is too slow.

PCAT does not help us identify qualified applicants.

Our perception that PCAT is not a strong predictor of success. Our analysis indicates PCAT is not a strong predictor of success for our students. Desire to increase pharmacy applications by reducing admission barriers. Other colleges/schools in my region do not (or no longer) require the PCAT. Non-cognitive attributes are more heavily (or solely) weighted in our admissions process. Parent institution is not (or less) supportive of the use of standardized tests in admissions. Not applicable Other

If your college/school made a decision in the past 2 years to no longer require the PCAT, please provide additional rationale for this decision.

Enter any additional comments about the current or previous role of the PCAT in the college/school's admissions process.

# **Contact Information**

Name of Institution

Name of Individual Completing Form (optional)

Email (optional)

Click the Submit button once you have completed the survey.