

PharmCAS Volume Update

September 11, 2020

	September 11, 2019	September 11, 2020	% Change
PharmCAS APPLICANTS			
In-progress Applicants*	6,995	6,752	-3.5%
Verified Applicants**	3,590	2,820	-21.4%
Submitted Applicants***	4,228	3,445	-18.5%
All PharmCAS Applicant Accounts****	11,223	10,197	-9.1%
All PharmCAS Applications****			
Submitted Applications***	5,557	5,336	-4.0%
Mean # of Applications per Applicant	1.31	1.55	17.8%

* "In-progress" applicants should be considered individuals who have expressed an interest in the program, rather than confirmed applicants in the program's queue.

**Applicants with "verified" status have submitted the application, fee payment, and all transcripts; and their coursework has been verified by PharmCAS. Once verified, schools can view an applicant's full file via WebAdMIT. Final PharmCAS data reflects applicants with verified status.

***Submitted" data represents individuals with the following PharmCAS statuses: received, completed, and verified. Submitted data is shared to indicate the year-to-year application trends to date.

****All PharmCAS Applicant Accounts include all individuals with an applicant account, including in-progress, received, complete, verified, on hold, and undelivered status. Accounts includes current applicants, individuals with dummy/test accounts, and prospective students who plan to apply in a future cycle.

More detailed reports on application volume by program, region and type will begin in October.

PharmCAS Early Decision Applicants and Schools

September 11, 2019: A total of 1,876 applicants chose to apply via Early Decision in the current 2020-2021 cycle, representing an 41% decrease as compared to the ED pool last year. There were an additional 433 applicants who applied via Early Decision and were automatically returned to the regular pool because their applications were not yet complete by the September 8 deadline. The decline in volume reflects a corresponding decrease in the number of participating schools as this feature is phased out. Early decision will no longer be available in PharmCAS beginning in the 2021-2022 admissions cycle for applicants applying for fall 2022 enrollment.

PharmCAS Cycle	# of ED Schools	Total # of ED Applicants	Total # of Applicants	ED% of Total Applicant Pool
2012-13	34	528	17225	3.1%
2013-14	42	658	16858	3.9%
2014-15	59	952	16369	5.8%
2015-16	84	1773	16176	11.0%
2016-17	101	2022	16369	12.4%
2017-18	111	2408	15886	15.2%
2018-19	113	2851	15334	18.6%
2019-20	118	3180	13217	24.1%
2020-21	86*	1876		

*Reflects corrected number of participating ED schools, as posted on 9/14/2020

PharmCAS Application Deadlines: September 11, 2019

PharmCAS Regular Application Deadline	# of PharmCAS Programs
2-Nov-20	3
1-Dec-20	8
4-Jan-21	10
1-Feb-21	15
1-Mar-21	20
1-Apr-21	18
3-May-21	18
1-Jun-21	54

Preliminary data provided by the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (September 2020)

Colleges Attended

Colleges attended data for the current 2020-2021 cycle to date is reported as a separate file. Final colleges attended data for the previous cycle will be reflected in the 2019-2020 PharmCAS Applicant Data Report (PDF), which will be released by November 2020.

State of Residency

Table reflects the permanent state of residency for PharmCAS applicants with verified status to date. States without any verified applicants to date were excluded from the table.

State/Province	PharmCAS Verified Applicants as of 9/11/2020	% of Pool
Alabama	59	2.0%
Alaska	3	0.1%
Arizona	74	2.6%
Arkansas	32	1.1%
California	294	10.1%
Colorado	34	1.2%
Connecticut	15	0.5%
Delaware	5	0.2%
Did Not Report	0	0.0%
Florida	194	6.7%
Georgia	104	3.6%
Hawaii	17	0.6%
Idaho	14	0.5%
Illinois	110	3.8%
Indiana	19	0.7%
International	38	1.3%
Iowa	19	0.7%
Kansas	52	1.8%
Kentucky	103	3.6%
Louisiana	54	1.9%
Maine	6	0.2%
Maryland	22	0.8%
Massachusetts	28	1.0%
Michigan	109	3.8%
Minnesota	77	2.7%

Mississippi	36	1.2%
Missouri	45	1.6%
Montana	1	0.0%
Nebraska	17	0.6%
Nevada	22	0.8%
New Hampshire	8	0.3%
New Jersey	32	1.1%
New Mexico	36	1.2%
New York	169	5.8%
North Carolina	121	4.2%
Ohio	101	3.5%
Oklahoma	12	0.4%
Oregon	25	0.9%
Other/Unknown	5	0.2%
Pennsylvania	50	1.7%
Puerto Rico	18	0.6%
Rhode Island	3	0.1%
South Carolina	103	3.6%
South Dakota	2	0.1%
Tennessee	92	3.2%
Texas	256	8.8%
Utah	16	0.6%
Virginia	65	2.2%
Washington	60	2.1%
West Virginia	30	1.0%
Wisconsin	93	3.2%
Wyoming	3	0.1%