

ACCELERATED DEGREE PROGRAM WITH SCHOOL OF PHARMACY AT SHENANDOAH UNIVERSITY

The University of Mary Washington and Shenandoah University have established an agreement enabling students to achieve the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree from the Bernard J. Dunn School of Pharmacy at Shenandoah in seven years rather than the usual eight. UMW students with 84 credits or more after completion of their junior year and who have been accepted to the BJD Pharmacy School at Shenandoah to pursue a PharmD degree may start in that program after the completion of their junior year at UMW. The first year of the PharmD program credits would transfer back to UMW to complete the student's undergraduate degree. The student would have to earn a grade of C or better in all courses for them to transfer back. The first year of the PharmD requires 36.5 credits; assuming that a student starts this program with at least 84 UMW credits already earned, the student would need to have 36 credits eligible to transfer back to UMW in order to complete the UMW undergraduate degree. If the student started at BJD with more than 84 UMW credits earned, the total BJD credits eligible for transfer (those with grades of C or higher) would need to total to at least 120 when combined with UMW credits earned outside of those transferred from BJD. All PharmD credits will transfer back to UMW as general elective credits (these courses would not be used to meet major or general education requirements), unless specifically agreed otherwise in writing by UMW. Students who successfully complete the first year of the PharmD program at BJD (with a minimum of a 2.0 GPA) may use 8 credits of the BJD first year curriculum as elective credits toward completion of a B.S. in Biology degree at UMW (with the remaining credits transferred to count as general elective credits). All students would have to have at least 120 credits total between UMW credits earned prior to the first year of the PharmD program and Shenandoah transferred courses and would have to satisfy the UMW undergraduate degree requirements listed on Attachment B in order to receive the UMW undergraduate degree. For additional details about this agreement, contact the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.