



# American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Alumni Survey

## 2023 Private School Summary Report

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Total number of schools: 41  
Total number of responses: 943  
Response Rate: 6.9%

### **Section I: Development/Communication**

**Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Comment</b>
1. The college/school communicates effectively with alumni about college/school activities.	32.7% (308)	<b>49.7%</b> <b>(469)</b>	9.3% (88)	3.3% (31)	5.0% (47)
2. The current Dean is providing leadership in pharmacy.	30.6% (289)	<b>34.7%</b> <b>(327)</b>	4.8% (45)	3.0% (28)	26.9% (254)
3. The current Dean encourages alumni to stay involved.	25.8% (243)	<b>34.9%</b> <b>(329)</b>	11.3% (107)	5.6% (53)	22.4% (211)

### **When I was a student...**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Comment</b>
4. The faculty displayed respect for their colleagues and students.	<b>54.4%</b> <b>(513)</b>	39.8% (375)	3.5% (33)	1.6% (15)	0.7% (7)
5. Faculty, administrators and staff served as positive role models for students.	<b>54.7%</b> <b>(516)</b>	39.9% (376)	3.9% (37)	1.2% (11)	0.3% (3)
6. I knew what the program outcomes were.	<b>51.9%</b> <b>(489)</b>	42.3% (399)	3.7% (35)	1.4% (13)	0.7% (7)
7. The curriculum provided opportunities to engage in active learning (e.g., laboratories, recitations, student portfolios, problem-based learning).	<b>60.6%</b> <b>(571)</b>	35.3% (333)	2.1% (20)	1.7% (16)	0.3% (3)
8. I was encouraged to assume responsibility for my own learning.	<b>61.5%</b> <b>(580)</b>	35.3% (333)	1.4% (13)	1.0% (9)	0.8% (8)
9. I was academically prepared to enter my advanced pharmacy practice experiences.	<b>53.3%</b> <b>(503)</b>	38.9% (367)	4.7% (44)	2.7% (25)	0.4% (4)
10. The curriculum prepared me to enter my first pharmacy job.	<b>49.1%</b> <b>(463)</b>	38.8% (366)	5.5% (52)	4.1% (39)	2.4% (23)
11. Information was made available to me about additional educational opportunities (e.g. residencies, fellowships, graduate school).	<b>51.0%</b> <b>(481)</b>	39.3% (371)	6.5% (61)	2.7% (25)	0.5% (5)

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Comment</b>
12. Elective didactic courses permitted exploration of and/or advanced study in areas of professional interest.	<b>48.6% (458)</b>	41.3% (389)	6.2% (58)	2.7% (25)	1.4% (13)
13. My pharmacy practice experiences were of high quality.	<b>50.6% (477)</b>	40.8% (385)	4.6% (43)	3.2% (30)	0.8% (8)

**Section II: Curriculum**

**The Pharm.D. Program prepared me to...**

**Domain 1: Foundational Knowledge**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Comment</b>
14. Apply knowledge from the foundational pharmaceutical and biomedical sciences to the provision of patient care.	<b>49.1% (463)</b>	45.6% (430)	3.3% (31)	1.3% (12)	0.7% (7)
15. Apply knowledge from the clinical sciences to the provision of patient care.	<b>52.4% (494)</b>	43.2% (407)	3.1% (29)	1.0% (9)	0.4% (4)
16. Evaluate scientific literature.	<b>49.1% (463)</b>	43.8% (413)	5.1% (48)	1.5% (14)	0.5% (5)

**Domain 2: Essentials for Practice**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Comment</b>
17. Provide medication expertise as part of patient-centered care.	<b>56.0% (528)</b>	40.6% (383)	1.9% (18)	1.1% (10)	0.4% (4)
18. Optimize the safety and efficacy of medication use systems (e.g., dispensing, administration, effects monitoring) to manage patient healthcare needs.	<b>53.2% (502)</b>	41.6% (392)	3.1% (29)	1.6% (15)	0.5% (5)
19. Design strategies to manage chronic disease and improve health and wellness.	<b>51.5% (486)</b>	44.1% (416)	2.5% (24)	1.3% (12)	0.5% (5)
20. Assess the health needs of a given patient population.	<b>50.2% (473)</b>	44.5% (420)	3.5% (33)	1.4% (13)	0.4% (4)
21. Provide patient-centered care based on evidence-based best practices.	<b>57.4% (541)</b>	39.4% (372)	1.7% (16)	1.2% (11)	0.3% (3)

**Domain 3: Approach to Practice and Care**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Comment</b>
22. Design, implement and evaluate viable solutions to patient care problems.	<b>50.4% (475)</b>	44.8% (422)	3.2% (30)	1.0% (9)	0.7% (7)
23. Use effective strategies to educate patients, healthcare professionals and caregivers to improve patient care.	<b>52.6% (496)</b>	43.8% (413)	2.2% (21)	1.0% (9)	0.4% (4)
24. Advocate for the patient's best interest.	<b>54.9% (518)</b>	40.6% (383)	2.8% (26)	0.8% (8)	0.8% (8)
25. Engage as a member of an interprofessional healthcare team.	<b>55.2% (521)</b>	40.2% (379)	3.0% (28)	1.3% (12)	0.3% (3)
26. Identify cultural disparities in healthcare.	<b>48.6% (458)</b>	42.2% (398)	6.4% (60)	1.8% (17)	1.1% (10)
27. Recognize and address cultural disparities in access to and delivery of healthcare.	<b>48.1% (454)</b>	42.3% (399)	6.7% (63)	1.9% (18)	1.0% (9)
28. Effectively communicate (verbal, non-verbal, written) when interacting with individuals, groups and organizations.	<b>53.1% (501)</b>	43.2% (407)	2.5% (24)	0.8% (8)	0.3% (3)

**Domain 4: Personal and Professional Development**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Comment</b>
29. Examine and reflect on how my behavior and choices affect my personal and professional growth.	<b>53.9%</b> <b>(508)</b>	39.7% (374)	3.8% (36)	1.7% (16)	1.0% (9)
30. Accept responsibility for creating and achieving shared goals.	<b>55.2%</b> <b>(521)</b>	39.8% (375)	2.8% (26)	1.5% (14)	0.7% (7)
31. Develop new ideas and approaches to practice.	<b>46.2%</b> <b>(436)</b>	43.5% (410)	6.8% (64)	1.8% (17)	1.7% (16)
32. Act in a manner consistent with the trust given to pharmacists by patients, other healthcare providers and society.	<b>58.5%</b> <b>(552)</b>	38.3% (361)	1.4% (13)	1.3% (12)	0.5% (5)

**Section III: General Impressions**

**Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Comment</b>
33. If I were starting my education over today, I would choose pharmacy as a career.	31.5% (297)	<b>35.3%</b> <b>(333)</b>	18.0% (170)	10.9% (103)	4.2% (40)
34. If I were starting my education over today, I would choose the same college/school of pharmacy.	<b>43.5%</b> <b>(410)</b>	33.2% (313)	10.4% (98)	8.6% (81)	4.3% (41)
35. I received a high quality pharmacy education.	<b>52.5%</b> <b>(495)</b>	36.9% (348)	5.7% (54)	2.9% (27)	2.0% (19)

**Question 36 is an open-ended comment question and not included in this report.**

**Section IV: Demographic Questions**

**37. Year of Graduation:**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>2022</b>	33.2%	313
<b>2021</b>	23.3%	220
<b>2020</b>	22.5%	212
<b>2019</b>	9.3%	88
<b>2018</b>	11.7%	110

**38. Please check the option below that best describes the learning environment in which you were enrolled:**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Main campus</b>	89.1%	840
<b>Distance/Satellite/Branch campus (enter city, state)</b>	8.9%	84
<b>Web-based program</b>	2.0%	19

**38(a). Did you apply for governmental (state or federal) student loan repayment programs?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	69.7%	657
<b>No</b>	30.3%	286

**38(b). Did you receive governmental (state or federal) student loan repayment programs?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	62.0%	585
<b>No</b>	38.0%	358

**39. In addition to receiving your Pharm.D. degree, have you completed or are you currently pursuing any type of postgraduate education/training?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Yes</b>	34.9%	329
<b>No</b>	65.1%	614

**40. If the answer to Question #39 above is "Yes"; please check all that apply.**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Master's; please specify type:</b>	N/A	76
<b>Other Professional Doctorate (JD, M.D., D.D.S.)</b>	N/A	3
<b>Ph.D.</b>	N/A	7
<b>Residency in Pharmacy Practice (any type)</b>	N/A	227
<b>Specialty Residency (e.g., Drug Information, Pediatric, Primary care)</b>	N/A	61
<b>Fellowship</b>	N/A	29
<b>Other</b>	N/A	26

**41. What is your level of involvement with the school or college?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>None</b>	34.5%	325
<b>Minimal</b>	39.1%	369
<b>Moderate</b>	18.7%	176
<b>Heavy</b>	7.7%	73

**42. To what extent are you employed in pharmacy? (Check all that apply)**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Part-time</b>	N/A	102
<b>Full time (35 hrs and above)</b>	N/A	790
<b>Not currently practicing</b>	N/A	59
<b>No longer in pharmacy profession</b>	N/A	13
<b>Student (post graduate education/training)</b>	N/A	43

**43. In which state are you primarily practicing?\***

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>	4.3%	40
<b>Alabama (AL)</b>	2.6%	24
<b>Alaska (AK)</b>	0.1%	1
<b>American Samoa</b>	0%	0
<b>Arizona (AZ)</b>	0.9%	8
<b>Arkansas (AR)</b>	1.4%	13
<b>California (CA)</b>	21.5%	200
<b>Colorado (CO)</b>	0.6%	6
<b>Connecticut (CT)</b>	1.9%	18
<b>Delaware (DE)</b>	0.3%	3
<b>Dist. of Columbia (DC)</b>	0.5%	5
<b>Florida (FL)</b>	6.0%	56
<b>Georgia (GA)</b>	2.0%	19
<b>Guam</b>	0%	0
<b>Hawaii (HI)</b>	0%	0
<b>Idaho (ID)</b>	0%	0
<b>Illinois (IL)</b>	1.8%	17
<b>Indiana (IN)</b>	0.5%	5
<b>Iowa (IA)</b>	1.6%	15
<b>Kansas (KS)</b>	0.3%	3
<b>Kentucky (KY)</b>	1.0%	9
<b>Louisiana (LA)</b>	0%	0
<b>Maine (ME)</b>	1.1%	10
<b>Maryland (MD)</b>	1.8%	17
<b>Massachusetts (MA)</b>	3.5%	33
<b>Michigan (MI)</b>	1.8%	17
<b>Midway Islands</b>	0%	0
<b>Minnesota (MN)</b>	1.0%	9
<b>Mississippi (MS)</b>	1.9%	18
<b>Missouri (MO)</b>	0%	0
<b>Montana (MT)</b>	0.3%	3
<b>Nebraska (NE)</b>	0.1%	1
<b>Nevada (NV)</b>	0.2%	2
<b>New Hampshire (NH)</b>	1.2%	11
<b>New Jersey (NJ)</b>	2.9%	27
<b>New Mexico (NM)</b>	0.2%	2
<b>New York (NY)</b>	3.8%	35
<b>North Carolina (NC)</b>	5.5%	51
<b>North Dakota (ND)</b>	0.1%	1
<b>Ohio (OH)</b>	1.7%	16
<b>Oklahoma (OK)</b>	0%	0
<b>Oregon (OR)</b>	0.2%	2
<b>Pennsylvania (PA)</b>	6.6%	61
<b>Puerto Rico</b>	0.4%	4
<b>Rhode Island (RI)</b>	0.1%	1
<b>South Carolina (SC)</b>	0.9%	8
<b>South Dakota (SD)</b>	0.3%	3
<b>Tennessee (TN)</b>	2.3%	21
<b>Texas (TX)</b>	5.1%	47
<b>Utah (UT)</b>	0.1%	1
<b>Vermont (VT)</b>	0%	0
<b>Virgin Islands</b>	0%	0
<b>Virginia (VA)</b>	4.2%	39
<b>Wake Islands</b>	0%	0
<b>Washington (WA)</b>	0.6%	6
<b>West Virginia (WV)</b>	1.0%	9
<b>Wisconsin (WI)</b>	3.5%	33
<b>Wyoming (WY)</b>	0%	0



**44. In what type of setting are you primarily practicing or employed?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
Chain community pharmacy	N/A	339
Independent community pharmacy	N/A	98
Hospital	N/A	320
Clinic-based pharmacy	N/A	102
Consultant	N/A	20
Home care	N/A	5
Nursing home/Long-term care facility	N/A	22
Academia	N/A	42
Association management	N/A	4
Pharmaceutical industry	N/A	49
Managed care	N/A	32
Government or regulatory agency	N/A	32
Other Pharmacy Related Field	N/A	59
Non-Pharmacy related field	N/A	6
Not currently employed	N/A	32

**45. In which pharmacy organizations are you currently a member? (Check all that apply)**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
APhA	N/A	305
ASHP	N/A	234
AMCP	N/A	15
AACP	N/A	15
ACCP	N/A	58
ASCP	N/A	7
NCPA	N/A	28
State Pharmacy Association	N/A	200
Other	N/A	98
None	N/A	397

**46. In the pharmacy organization with which you are most engaged, how would you assess your level of involvement?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
Minimal (occasionally attend meetings)	75.6%	413
Moderate (regularly attend meetings, occasionally serve on committees)	16.5%	90
Heavy (regularly serve on committees and/or serve as an officer)	7.9%	43

**47. Are you currently serving, or have you served in the past as a preceptor for any pharmacy students?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
Yes	36.6%	345
No	63.4%	598

**48(a). How do you describe yourself?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Female</b>	61.2%	572
<b>Trans Female/Trans Woman</b>	0.2%	2
<b>Male</b>	35.0%	327
<b>Trans Male/Trans Man</b>	0.1%	1
<b>Other not listed above</b>	0.1%	1
<b>Prefer not to disclose</b>	3.3%	31

**48(b). Do you consider yourself to be:**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Heterosexual or Straight</b>	87.6%	813
<b>Gay or Lesbian</b>	2.9%	27
<b>Bisexual</b>	2.0%	19
<b>Other not listed above</b>	0.8%	7
<b>Prefer not to disclose</b>	6.7%	62

**49. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin</b>	86.1%	801
<b>Yes, Mexican, Mexican American, Chicano</b>	2.6%	24
<b>Yes, Puerto Rican</b>	1.8%	17
<b>Yes, Cuban</b>	1.0%	9
<b>Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin</b>	2.6%	24
<b>Prefer not to disclose</b>	5.9%	55

**50. I identify as (check all that apply):**

	<b>Response Percent<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native</b>	1.1%	10
<b>Asian</b>	24.3%	224
<b>Black or African American</b>	11.8%	109
<b>Middle Eastern or North African</b>	4.1%	38
<b>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</b>	0.4%	4
<b>White</b>	53.4%	491
<b>Other not listed above</b>	1.8%	17
<b>Prefer not to disclose</b>	7.1%	65

a. Respondents were able to select multiple options; therefore, percentages do not represent mutually exclusive answer choices and may not total to 100%.

**51. When you were a student, did you identify as a first-generation student?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Yes, neither of my parents completed a college/university degree</b>	35.7%	332
<b>No</b>	60.5%	563
<b>Prefer not to disclose</b>	3.9%	36

**52. Which is the language you know best?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>English</b>	89.7%	837
<b>Other</b>	7.2%	67
<b>Prefer not to disclose</b>	3.1%	29

**53. How would you describe your English Language Proficiency?**

	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Total</b>
<b>Native</b>	74.4%	694
<b>Advanced</b>	20.5%	191
<b>Intermediate</b>	1.9%	18
<b>Beginner</b>	0%	0
<b>Prefer not to disclose</b>	3.2%	30