



# Combined Degree BS/Pharm. D.

with Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine School of Pharmacy

## Major information

Students accepted into this competitive program have a provisional seat waiting for them at the LECOM School of Pharmacy after attending St. Bonaventure University for three or four years. The program is completed with an additional three or four years at LECOM, with all of the options leading to both a B.S. and a Pharm. D. degree.

Accepted students receive a provisional letter of acceptance to LECOM upon entering the program at SBU, and a seat is reserved at the LECOM School of Pharmacy. Academic, comportment, and procedural requirements must be maintained while at St. Bonaventure in order to move on to the School of Pharmacy. Requirements are detailed in writing when a place is offered in the program.

In Phase I of the program, students spend three or four years at St. Bonaventure. For the three-year option at SBU a biology major is required. With the four-year option, other majors are possible provided pharmacy school prerequisites are fulfilled. The student then goes on to Phase II at LECOM, where the Pharm. D. degree is completed in three years at the Erie, Pa., campus and four years at the Bradenton, Fla., campus.

## State-of-the-art facilities

The university's historic Francis Hall underwent a comprehensive \$18 million renovation project in 2020-2021 to become the modern new home of the Dennis R. DePerro School of Health Professions.

The building's garden level includes a sprawling physical diagnosis lab with three exam rooms, 20 clinic exam tables, and inpatient hospital style beds. This level also includes a student breakout room.

The main floor houses academic offices and instruction space including high-tech classrooms with computers, microphone and speaker systems, high-end web cameras, projectors and TV displays, and a number of group study spaces with TVs as well as laptop and wireless connections.

In addition, the William F. Walsh Science Center houses state-of-the-art computer science laboratory and classroom space, biology labs, organic and general chemistry labs, a natural world lab, a 150-seat amphitheater, and faculty offices integrated with lab space for enhanced student-faculty accessibility.

## Application requirements

- Applicants must be a U.S. citizen or hold a Permanent Resident Visa.
- Transfer students eligible with restrictions.
- High school seniors: 1240 (ERW+M) SAT or ACT composite 26; high school GPA  $\geq$  90% or 3.5/4.0
- Submit a minimum of two letters of recommendation. One letter must be from a science teacher.
- Current SBU students meeting college grade and course requirements may apply for the "4+ track" program prior to the start of their junior year.

## Requirements while at SBU

- Maintain full-time student status and meet curriculum standards for rigor.
- Maintain a cumulative overall GPA  $\geq$  3.4.
- Maintain a cumulative science GPA  $\geq$  3.2 (biology, chemistry and physics course prefixes).

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- Minimum grade of C in required courses.
- Limitations are placed on use of AP credit, summer coursework, and courses taken outside of SBU.
- Maintain comportment standards.

### Other requirements

- Taking the PCAT is recommended. If the PCAT is not taken, a formal writing assessment must be completed in the final year of Phase I.
- Have a background check performed, including drug and alcohol screening.
- Meet LECOM's health and technical standards.
- Complete application procedures including PharmCAS and LECOM supplemental applications, letters of recommendation, final transcripts, etc.