

Membership Application Candidates Seeking to Specialize in Orphan Areas

Introduction

Our minimum admission requirements are as follows:

1. The applicant should have basic pharmacy qualification (BPharm or PharmD) from a recognized institution.
2. The applicant should have undertaken pharmacy internship training and successfully passed the Ghana Pharmacy Professional Qualifying Examination (GPPQE)
3. The application should have at least 2 years post-qualification experience.

Specialist pharmacists are needed across all areas of pharmacy, including drug production, public health, quality assurance in pharmaceutical manufacturing, community practice and pharmacy administration. In view of this, the College has received approval to waive the requirement for post-qualification experience for both Bachelor of Pharmacy and Doctor of Pharmacy first degree holders.

Exemption Process

The exemption will only be awarded when the Academic Board is completely satisfied that the desired area of specialisation is an area which is lacking specialist pharmacists.

The process is as follows:

1. Candidate completes and submits the application form.
2. Candidate submits all required supporting documents, including a formal exemption request letter, for review by the Admissions Panel.
3. The Admissions Panel reviews each application to determine eligibility for exemption.
4. Following a comprehensive assessment, the Admissions Panel makes a recommendation on exemption to the Rector.
5. The Rector grants admission based on the Panel's recommendation and approval of the exemption.

Orphan Areas

1. Public Health
2. Social and Administrative pharmacy
3. Drug and Herbal Medicine Discovery, Development and Production
4. Quality Assurance
5. Community and Family Practice
6. The following Clinical Pharmacy specialisations:

- i) Critical care
- ii) Palliative care
- iii) Oncology
- iv) Haematology
- v) Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- vi) Dermatology
- vii) Psychiatry
- viii) Eye
- ix) Surgery
- x) Oncology