

EXEMPTION FOR DULY QUALIFIED MEMBERSHIP CANDIDATES

Exemptions from Primaries Programme

Introduction

Currently, to be admitted into the two-year membership programme, the candidate must have passed or be exempted from the primaries examination of the Ghana College of Pharmacists and admitted through an interview process.

The purpose of this policy is to outline the principles that apply to candidates seeking exemption from the primaries programme.

Exemptions.

Interested applicants may be exempted from the one-year primaries programme if they:

1. Hold a BPharm/ PharmD with at least 3-years post-qualification experience in a pharmacy-related field;
2. Possess a Master's degree relevant to their intended area of specialisation;
3. Have passed the primaries examinations at the West Africa Postgraduate College of Pharmacists (WAPCP). Applicants will be required to show proof.

Please note:

- *The relevance of postgraduate qualifications will be determined by the Admissions Panel.*
- *In some cases, applicants granted exemptions may be required or advised to audit selected courses or subject areas.*

Exemption Process

Exemptions will be granted only where the Admissions Panel is satisfied that the knowledge acquired through a candidate's prior postgraduate qualification is equivalent to the Primaries level, or where the candidate's postgraduate experience is deemed sufficiently relevant.

The process is as follows:

1. Candidates complete and submit the application form.
2. Candidates submit all required supporting documents, including academic transcripts and a formal exemption request letter, for review by the Admissions Panel.
3. The Admissions Panel reviews each application to determine eligibility for exemption.

4. The Panel evaluates and compares the candidate's prior coursework with the corresponding Primaries-level courses.
5. Following a comprehensive assessment, the Admissions Panel makes a recommendation on exemption to the Rector.
6. The Rector grants admission based on the Panel's recommendation and approval of the exemption.

Relevant postgraduate areas

| FACULTY | RELEVANT POSTGRADUATE STUDIES |
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| Clinical Pharmacy | MSc. Clinical Pharmacy MPhil Clinical Pharmacy PhD Clinical Pharmacy |
| Community and Family Health Pharmacy | MSc. Bioethics MBA (Management) MSc. Logistics and Supply Chain Management MSc. Entrepreneurship |
| Drug & Herbal Medicine Discovery, Development and Production | MPhil Drug Discovery and Development MSc. Herbal Medicine MSc. Pharmacognosy |
| Quality Assurance | MSc in Pharmaceutical QA and Regulation Master of Science in Quality Assurance MSc Pharmaceutical Technology and Quality Assurance |
| Social & Administrative Pharmacy | M.S in Pharmacy Administration MSc. Health Systems MBA Total Quality Management MSc. Pharmacy/ Medical Education MSc. Social Pharmacy Postgraduate Degree in Psychology of Health |
| Public Health Pharmacy | Master of Public Health Master of Science in Public Health Doctor of Public Health Masters in Health Informatics |

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| | MPhil in Applied Epidemiology and Disease Control Master of Science Public Health Monitoring and Evaluation |
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Please Note: This list is not exhaustive as the ultimate decision lies with the admissions committee.