

Pharmacy College Admission Test

The PCAT is a standardized test, given in multiple choice format, which covers material in the following areas: Verbal Ability, Reading Comprehension, Chemistry, Biology, and Quantitative Ability. There is also an essay portion of the test. Students should plan on completing general chemistry, biology, and calculus before taking the test. The PCAT also includes some organic chemistry. Therefore, it is recommended to wait until you have taken the majority of pre-pharmacy courses prior to taking the PCAT.

Students should take this test typically during the second year of college, usually in the fall semester, or in conjunction with the application process. Students must register for a particular test date by the registration deadline. By accessing the PCAT website at www.pcatweb.info, students can register for a test, take a practice test, and download the PCAT Candidate Information Booklet.

The scores from this exam are reported as scaled scores and percentile scores. A percentile score of 60 means that the student has scored as high as 60 percent of the group on which the examination norms were developed. A composite scaled score (range 100-300 and percentile scored 1-99) will be reported. A composite scaled score of 200 is equivalent to a 50th percentile score. Students who have subset scores on the PCAT below the 50th percentile and a composite score less than 70th percentile should give consideration to taking the PCAT again. **In order to be competitive for admission, students should achieve a score greater than the 70th composite percentile.** Students may take the PCAT more than once. The highest set of scores from one attempt will be considered.

For Fall 2010 admissions consideration, the University of Florida will accept PCAT scores from tests taken June 2007 through January 2010.

Fall 2010 Admission Information

PCAT TEST DATES	Special Registration Deadline (see website for specific details)	Standard Registration Deadline (Online Registration ONLY)	Late Registration Deadline (Online Registration ONLY)
June 20, 2009	April 10, 2009	May 8, 2009	June 5, 2009
August 22, 2009	June 12, 2009	July 10, 2009	August 7, 2009
October 17, 2009	August 7, 2009	September 4, 2009	October 2, 2009
January 23, 2010	November 13, 2009	December 11, 2009	January 8, 2010

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 8:59PM ET

*****IMPORTANT: Send your PCAT scores directly to PharmCAS, not UF!*****
Use Pharmacy College Code 104

PCAT Registration

To register for the exam go to www.pcatweb.info. For any questions, please contact the Harcourt Assessment, Inc. PSE Customer Relations Office at **1-800-622-3231**.

PCAT Prep Materials: Barron's: How To Prepare for the PCAT; Princeton Review;
www.scholarware.com; <http://www.studyguidezone.com/pcat.htm>; <http://www.studytips.org>

Kaplan Learning Centers offer a review course for the PCAT. The College of Pharmacy does not officially endorse a specific PCAT review book, website or the Kaplan Learning Centers. The best preparation for the PCAT is a thorough understanding of material presented in the pre-professional courses.