



SEFAKO MAKGATHO  
HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

# PHARMACIST ASSISTANT TRAINING PROGRAM

## Pharmacy Training and Development Project (PTDP) School of Pharmacy

School of Pharmacy provides training and education in pharmacy degree and non-degree programmes through excellence in teaching, learning, innovative research and community engagement.



### INTRODUCTION

Training programmes to prepare Pharmacists' Assistants for their future careers. The course for Pharmacist's Assistant, both basic and post basic, is registered and regulated by South African Pharmacy Council (SAPC). The learner needs to work in an accredited pharmacy and be assigned to a registered tutor before registering for this program and with South African Pharmacy Council. The learner will be trained (in-service) by the tutor at the pharmacy for fourteen months. During this time the learners attends online classes in a workshop format and assessments takes place one Saturday in a month on SMU campus.



### DURATION OF COURSE

There are eight modules for Learner Basic and six modules for Post Basic Pharmacist's Assistants. The duration of each course is 14 months, and the practical training is provider-directed and tutor-driven at the workplace

The assigned tutor guides and support the learner from the start till the end of experiential training.



### ACCREDITATION

The Pharmacist Assistant Training Course is accredited with the South African Pharmacy Council.

- **National Certificate:** Pharmacist Assistance SAQA Qualification ID: 62249
- **Further Education and Training Certificate:** Pharmacist Assistance SAQA Qualification ID: 72050



### COURSE CONTENT

Each course consists of various modules:

- Basic (National Certificate: Pharmacist Assistance) NQF Level 3 - 146 credits Hospital and Community (8 modules)
- Post-basic Pharmacist's Assistant (Further Education and Training Certificate: Pharmacist Assistance) NQF Level 4 - 147 credits Hospital and Community (6 modules)



### COURSE FEES

Fees include all learning materials, workshops and two assessments for each module



### COURSE DELIVERY

The course is presented by the Pharmacy Training and Development Project (PTDP) of the Department of Pharmacy Practice, Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University

- Outcomes-based
- Online classes in a workshop form
- Assessments takes place one Saturday in a month on SMU campus
- Practical training is provider-directed and tutor-driven at the workplace
- Easy-to-follow modules thought-stimulating learning material
- Lots of learning activities ensure that you are ready for assessments
- Learning Activities change theoretical knowledge into real world skills
- Fourteen (14) months in-service training



### SMU SCHOOL OF PHARMACY ALSO OFFER OTHER QUALIFICATIONS AND COURSES FOR CPD PURPOSES:

The School of Pharmacy is one of the five Schools of Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University (SMU). Although it is the newest School at SMU (2017), it has a proud history of offering pharmacy education dating back to 1983.

The School of Pharmacy also offer the B.Pharm program, where in addition to the course content use a problem-based learning (PBL) mode of teaching to promote critical thinking, problem solving abilities and communication skills.

Furthermore, we offer various postgraduate and research opportunities, continued professional development courses (CPDs), and are involved in various community projects.

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