Online Graduate Programs in Applied Clinical and Preclinical Research

Master of Clinical Research (MCR) MS Translational Pharmacology Graduate Minor in Applied Clinical and Preclinical Research

Course Descriptions

Please note: All courses are offered online only unless otherwise specified.

BIOETHC 6010 3 credits Autumn/Spring	Biomedical Research Ethics The broad intent of this course is to highlight the importance of ethics in biomedical research and to explore how critical ethical thinking can be used to analyze personal decision-making, public regulation, and the law concerning advanced biomedical sciences/technologies and their clinical applications. <i>Prerequisites: none</i>
BIOPHRM 5600 3 credits Autumn/Spring/Summer	Introduction to General Pharmacology Introductory course emphasizing the general principles of pharmacology using a systems-based and mechanism-based approach. The course provides a simple overview of the subject. <i>Prerequisites: Prior coursework in physiology</i>
HTHRHSC 5500 4 credits Autumn/Spring	Introduction to Pathophysiology Fundamental concepts of pathophysiology including etiology, signs, symptoms, diagnosis, treatment, and complications of major body system disorders. <i>Prerequisites: Physiology (EEOB 2520) or Physio 3102</i>
Nursing 7404 3 credits Summer	Project Management for Healthcare and Clinical Research Principles of project management and strategic planning in healthcare, clinical research, and regulatory settings. <i>Prerequisite: Nursing/Pharmacy 7782</i>
Nursing 7481 3 credits Spring	Data Management and Informatics in Clinical Research Introduction to fundamental principles of clinical research data management and informatics to include the acquisition and management of data during clinical research studies, including source data, data entry, data quality assurance, reporting, and security. <i>Prerequisite: Nursing/Pharmacy 7782</i>
Nursing 7482 3 credits Summer	Principles of Quality Management for Medical Product Development Concepts and application of total quality management for federal regulation of medical product development including drugs and medical devices. <i>Prerequisite: Nursing/Pharmacy</i> 7405
Nursing 7781 3 credits Spring	Responsible Conduct of ResearchConcepts and policies for the responsible conduct of research (RCOR) andInstitutional Review Boards, including leadership and team science.Prerequisites: none
Pharmacy 5005 3 credits Summer	Fundamentals of Pathophysiology This course provides a fundamental overview of human pathophysiology by comparing dysfunctional body processes to normal physiological function. Case studies will be applied to pathophysiological phenomena. <i>Prerequisites: none</i>
Pharmacy 5010 3 credits Summer	Fundamentals of Pharmacology This course presents an overview of basic principles underlying drug action including an investigation of current treatments for a variety of common diseases. In addition, this course will implement activities that emphasize the ethical aspects and implications of a variety of drug therapies. <i>Prerequisites: none</i>

Pharmacy 7460 3 credits Summer	Regulatory Strategy and Clinical Trial Reporting Explores regulatory strategy in new medical product development and the roles of regulatory professionals. Scholarly and technical writing skills for regulatory professionals for new product submissions and Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Advisory Panels. Prerequisite: Nursing/Pharmacy 7770
Pharmacy 7550 3 credits Summer	Research Applications of Clinical PharmacologyApplication of basic and advanced concepts in pharmacology to contemporaryresearch literature to solidify understanding of the pharmacologic principlesunderlying the individualization of drug therapy and contemporary drugdevelopment. Fundamentals of clinical pharmacology for the development,evaluation, and clinical use of pharmaceutical products.Requirement in Clinical Pharmacology specialization.Prerequisite: BIOPHRM 5600, HthRhSc 5510, PHR 5010, or other generalpharmacology course; Pharmacy 7584 or other pharmacokinetics course
Pharmacy 7560 3 credits Autumn	Clinical Trials I: Design and Regulation This course provides a fundamental overview of clinical trial design, methods, and regulation with an emphasis on medical product development, clinical trial protocols, preclinical research requirements, and the appraisal of published clinical trials. <i>Prerequisite: none. Not open to students with credit for Nursing/PHR 7770</i>
Pharmacy 7561 3 credits Spring	Clinical Trials II: Site Management and Study LeadershipThis course provides a fundamental overview of best practices of clinical trial study and site management, including an emphasis on data, safety, and quality management, and study team leadership.Prerequisite: BIOPHRM/Nursing/Pharmacy 7560 or permission of the instructor. Not open to students with credit for NURSING/PHR 5402
Pharmacy 7562 3 credits Autumn	Design and Management of Preclinical StudiesProvides a fundamental overview of preclinical study design, methods, and regulation with an introduction to the clinical development process. Provides a synopsis of best practices of preclinical trial site and study management, quality and data management, and leadership in the context of preclinical and translational research endeavors.Prerequisites: none
Pharmacy 7570 3 credits Autumn	Pharmaceutical Safety & Risk Management Comprehensive investigation of pharmacovigilance initiatives and pharmaceutical safety regulation. Pharmaceutical risk management in premarket testing and development, recognition of safety signals, post-approval experience, drug production, risk mitigation, and administration of pharmaceuticals. Prerequisite: Nursing/Pharmacy 7770
Pharmacy 7572 3 credits Spring	Global Regulation of Medical ProductsExploring legal issues related to clinical research and regulatory affairs.Examining the role of regulatory authorities, regulations, and guidelines (US, EUand global) in new product development.Prerequisites: Nursing/Pharmacy 7770
Pharmacy 7580 3 credits Spring	Principles of Safety Pharmacology Introduction to organ system studies of current experimental models, risk assessment, and regulatory guidelines for evaluating drug candidates in various organ systems. Prerequisites: none

Pharmacy 7582	Organ System Toxicology
3 credits	Principles of toxicology, physiology, and pharmacology as they relate to adverse
Autumn/Spring	and unanticipated drug effects. Emphasis on cardiovascular, nervous, pulmonary,
Autumijoping	liver, and kidney systems.
	Prerequisites: Completion of a basic pharmacology class useful but not required
Pharmacy 7583	Advanced Organ Systems Toxicology and Risk Assessment
3 credits	Principles of risk assessment, toxicology, and physiology as they relate to effects of
Spring	chemical and pharmacologic agents on the blood, immune, ocular, skin,
Shund	reproductive, endocrine systems. Includes a review of chemical carcinogenesis,
	genetic, and developmental toxicity as they relate to chemical or drug exposure.
	Prerequisite: Pharmacy 7582
Pharmacy 7584	Applied Pharmacokinetics and Pharmacodynamics
3 credits	Introduction to basic and advanced concepts in pharmacokinetics,
Spring	pharmacodynamics, and pharmacology for clinical investigators and other
	research professionals participating in the conduct of clinical trials.
	Prerequisite: Prior coursework in pharmacology recommended (ex., Pharmacy 4000,
	Pharmacy 4400, Pharmacy 5010, or BIOPHRM 5600)
Pharmacy 7586	Integrative in Vivo Modeling for Drug Development: Application for Safety and
3 credits	Clinical Pharmacology
Summer	Evaluating drug effects and animal models for safety and toxicity assessment. <i>Prerequisite: Pharmacy 7582</i>
	Frerequisite. Frui mucy 7362
Pharmacy 7588	Toxic Substances
3 credits	Survey the effects of toxic substances on biological systems including the
Summer	mechanism of action for major toxicants, sources of toxicants, signs and symptoms
Summer	associated with intoxications, and methods of treatment. Substances presented will
	include those that may be encountered occupationally, environmentally, medically,
	and in the context of substance abuse.
	Prerequisite: Pharmacy 7582 recommended
Pharmacy 7595	Scientific Writing: Clinical Trial Protocol and Manuscript Development
3 credits	Best practices in scientific writing; development of an interventional clinical trial
Autumn/Spring/ Summer	protocol (drug/device studies) and the generation of a manuscript for publication.
	Prerequisite: Admission to the MS Pharmacology program or permission of the instructor.
Pharmacy 7597	Scientific Writing: Preclinical Study Protocol and Manuscript Development
3 credits	Best practices in scientific writing; development of an interventional
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PUBHBIO 6211	Applied Biostatistics II
3 credits	A second course in applied biostatistical methods with an emphasis on regression
Autumn/Spring	methods commonly used in the health sciences. The focus is on linear regression and
Online and In-person	ANOVA. Integrated with use of computer statistical packages. Prerequisite: Grade of B- or above in PUBHBIO 6210
Vision Science 7960	Ethics in Biomedical Research
2 credits	Provides a general understanding of the issues surrounding the ethical conduct of science including issues related to research involving human subjects, scientific
Autumn	misconduct, and authorship of scientific papers. Real-life case studied will be used.
In-Person only	Prerequisite: none
Nursing 7402/Pharmacy 5402	Economic Evaluation of Healthcare Interventions / Introduction to
3 credits	Pharmacoeconomics
Autumn/Spring	Introduction to economic evaluation of (pharmaceutical) healthcare interventions and services, including evaluating costs and health outcomes, using results to inform resource allocation, interpretation, and evaluation of economic evaluations in the literature, and decision analysis in healthcare.
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Nursing/Pharmacy 7405 3 credits	Clinical Research Study and Site Management Fundamental principles of clinical research operations from study site selection to
	study closure from the perspective of sponsors and clinical research sites including
Spring	an introduction to database design, management, quality assurance and reporting
	for site and sponsor operations.
	Prerequisite: Nursing/Pharmacy 7770
Nursing/Pharmacy 7599	Culminating Project in Clinical Research
3 credits	The culminating project is an independent scholarly project that allows students to apply skills and competencies acquired across the master's program in clinical
Autumn/Spring/Summer	research. During the course, students will also complete their professional ePortfolio.
	Prerequisite: Admission to the master's program in clinical research or permission of the instructor
Nursing/Pharmacy 7770	Fundamentals of Medical Product Development and Regulation
3 credits	Function of clinical research in medical product development and the regulatory
Autumn/Summer	process of new medical products. Laws and regulations concerning the development, testing, commercialization, and total product life cycle for medical products.
	Regulations governing the conduct of clinical research, including study sponsors,
	investigators, and Institutional Review Boards.
	Prerequisites: none
Nursing/Pharmacy 7782	Clinical Research Design and Methods
3 credits	Study of research design and methods used in clinical research. Measurement
Autumn	issues, bias and confounding, statistical considerations, evaluation of published
	clinical research designs, and protocol and proposal development.
	Prerequisites: none
BIOPHRM/CBG/Pharmacy	Introduction to Personalized Therapeutics and Pharmacogenomics
5700	Exploration of the trend to therapy tailored to the individual patient rather than "one drug fits all;" inter-individual differences in drug responses, with emphasis on
3 credit Spring	genetic and genomic factors; ethical, regulatory, and economic issues that impact
Spring	drug therapies.
	Prerequisite: Introductory biology course recommended