Bachelor in Pharmacy

Programme mnemonic
BA-PHAR

Studies level
Bachelor

Learning language
French

Schedule
Office hours

Studies category / subcategory
Health / Biomedical and pharmaceutical sciences

Programme objectives
At the end of the program, the students:

› will have acquired basic expertise for the analysis of drugs, their components and their metabolites;
› will be able to recognize the major targets of drugs and to explain the biomedical basis for their use in therapeutics;
› will be able to work in various laboratories (medical, toxicological, food analysis) and various research departments.

Programme's added value
The program is organized by the Faculty of Pharmacy which has extensive collaboration (teaching and research) with the Faculty of Sciences and the Faculty of Medicine.

Many members of our teaching staff (full professors, assistant professors) are pharmacists. Some of them are even involved in a program of permanent training organized by a Belgian group of pharmacists. Our teaching staff is thus well aware of the most important academic aspects not only to train a good pharmacist but also to give this pharmacist a solid background which will help him to progress in his profession.

Research internship in the Faculty laboratories is a possibility for students who plan to join a PhD program or the complementary Master program in Industrial Pharmacist.

Many TU are devoted to the basic formation in biological and chemical sciences which will help the students, once they graduated as pharmacists:

› To access and complete the different complementary Masters in pharmaceutical sciences
› To attend to a program of continuing education, a program required by the law and which has become mandatory considering the new molecules constantly developed and which have narrower therapeutic targets.

Our teaching assistants will provide supervision during your seminars, practicals and guidance sessions.

Equipment available to the students:

› Teaching and research laboratories and a microscopy room
› A library dedicated to pharmaceutical journals and textbooks
› A computer room
› A study room
› An educational pharmacy with a software to manage pharmacies in order to simulate practical situations
› A museum on medicinal plants and phytochemistry

Involvement in the teaching of the Master program in pharmaceutical sciences of numerous professors of the Bachelor program.

Organization of the complete cursus in pharmaceutical sciences which allows collaboration and tutorship among students in the Bachelor and in the Master programs.

Teaching methods
Theoretical and practical classes as well as seminars and transdisciplinary projects

Succeed in your studies
Choose
The information and guidance counsellors at the InfOR-études [https://www.ulb.be/en/studies-info-desk-1] service will help you choose your studies throughout the year.

Succeed

Get help
Apply for financial aid, look for accommodation or a student job, get support [https://www.ulb.be/fr/aides-services-et-accompagnement/aid-services-and-support-1] for your specific needs.

International/Openness
We have had exchange programs with foreign universities for a number of years now. Most exchanges take place in the last part of the Master program.

Job opportunities
If you choose to go on to do a Master in this subject, after 5 years of study, you will obtain a Master in pharmaceutical sciences and be officially recognised as a qualified pharmacist, which will give you access to employment in the following areas.

› in a high-street pharmacist or in a hospital
› in an analytical laboratory (biological, toxicological, food) or a research laboratory
› in the pharmaceutical industry
› in teaching, public administration, buying and selling pharmaceuticals ...

NB: additional qualifications are required in some of these fields (lasting from between 1 to 5 years).
You could also go into research in any field relating to sciences: chemistry, biology, pharmacology, medicine, food and nutrition, etc.
The purpose of the Bachelor program is not to give access to a job but rather to give access to the subsequent 2-part Master program in pharmaceutical sciences.
However, graduated students can:
› Either register in other Master programs (directly or with additional courses)
› Either work in the pharmaceutical industry or in other laboratories

Contacts
http://www.ulb.ac.be/facs/pharma/index.html

Jury President
Véronique FONTAINE

Jury Secretaries
Franck MEYER (bloc 1) and François DUFRASNE (bloc 2 & 3)
Teaching units (TU) of the first part of the cursus aim to acquire basic scientific knowledge with a pharmaceutical specificity in mind. The TU « General Biology » deals with aspects relative to cytology, histology, parasitology. The TU « Plant Biology » is concerned with the evolution of plant kingdom, and the classification of plants with medicinal properties. The TU « Fundamentals of Anatomy » gives the future pharmacists basic knowledge on the structure and topology of human body and includes elements of embryology. The TU « General Chemistry » deals with substances at a molecular level which is a requirement to better explain the progress of a chemical reaction. The TU « Organic Chemistry » explains the mechanisms of the reactions involved in the synthesis of active ingredients of drugs. To improve the rate of success of first-year student, learning seminars are organized (test guidance, language skills, literature search, computer science). The TU « Pharmacy and Society » deals with themes such as the history of pharmacy, the journey of drugs, the access of patients to care and medications, economical problems of health care and a few major ethical and social problems in relation to medical drugs.

The aim of the TU of the second and third parts of the program is to provide the students the fundamentals of biochemistry, biology and physiology. These elements are required to the comprehension of pathological processes in man (infection, metabolic disorders, tumors, ...) studied in the last part of the program. Other TU introduce the students to the methods and techniques routinely used to analyze drugs. Some TU are devoted to the study and the quality control of drugs and of their components. These TU give the students the theoretical and practical basis required for their future study of the mode of action and of the analysis of therapeutic agents. At the end of the program, transdisciplinary practicals are organized in order to help the students to integrate their recent biological and chemical assets through problem-based learning.

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Cours obligatoires

**BIOL-F208**  
**Biochimie et physiologie de la cellule** | Vincent RAUSSENS (Coordinator), Véronique KRUYS and Maud MARTIN  
5 credits [lecture: 60h] | first term | French

**BIOL-J201**  
**Introduction à l’étude des plantes médicinales** | Caroline STEVIGNY (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 18h, practical work: 30h, field trips: 12h] | second term | French

**BMOL-J201**  
**Biologie moléculaire** | David VERMIJLEN (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 42h] | first term | French

**CHIM-J201**  
**Chimie organique pharmaceutique** | François DUFRASNE (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 36h, tutorial classes: 12h] | second term | French

**CHIM-J202**  
**Spectroscopies moléculaires et spectrométrie de masse** | Pierre VAN ANTWERPEN (Coordinator), Cédric Delporte and Michel LUHMER  
5 credits [lecture: 12h, tutorial classes: 18h, workshop: 6h, personal assignments: 24h] | second term | French

**MATH-F315**  
**Probabilités et statistiques** | Thomas VERDEBOUT (Coordinator) and Jennifer ALONSO GARCIA  
5 credits [lecture: 30h, tutorial classes: 30h] | first term | French

**MEDI-J201**  
**Physiologie humaine** | Stéphanie POCHET (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 60h] | second term | French

**PHAR-J210**  
**Analyse Pharmaceutique, méthodes volumétriques** | Cédric Delporte (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 30h, tutorial classes: 10h, practical work: 40h] | first term | French

**PHAR-J230**  
**Analyse Pharmaceutique, méthodes Physicochimiques** | Nathalie WAUTHOZ (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 30h, tutorial classes: 6h, practical work: 32h] | second term | French

**TRAN-J201**  
**Scientific English and transdisciplinary projects** | Franck MEYER (Coordinator), François DUFRASNE, Cédric Delporte, Kelsey HULL, Hassan JIJAKLI, Stéphanie POCHET, Caroline STEVIGNY, David VERMIJLEN, Nathalie WAUTHOZ and Jehan Waeytens  
5 credits [lecture: 12h, tutorial classes: 24h, personal assignments: 24h] | first and second terms | English/French

**TRAN-J211**  
**Approche pratique des sciences du vivant** | David VERMIJLEN (Coordinator), Cédric Delporte and Stéphanie POCHET  
10 credits [practical work: 80h, seminars: 20h, personal assignments: 15h] | academic year | French
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