

The School of Pharmacy, University of London

Employability statement

The School of Pharmacy is dedicated to supporting the career and personal development of its students and graduates. [The Dean's Office](#), [Academic departments](#), Joint Academic Board, [Student Support](#) and the Careers Service all take an active role in developing graduate potential and improving employability.

1. Opportunities and support for work experience and placements:

Pharmacy students have access to summer placements in all years of study. Students can study abroad in year 3 and the School participates in the [Socrates-Erasmus Programme](#) for which grants are available.

Placement applications for pre-registration training (which follows MPharm graduation) are made during the undergraduate course. Full support is provided: writing a CV, preparing for interview including practice interviews.

2. Support for the development of employability within courses:

Research students are offered a training programme to develop a range of personal and transferable skills (project management, Good clinical practice, organisation and planning).

3. Career Planning and employment:

An in-house [careers service](#) provides support throughout the course, including job-seeking skills, careers information fairs, forums and presentations with employers and one-to-one practice interviews. Drop-in sessions are also provided.

The Specialist Institutions' Careers Service (part of [The Careers Group](#), University of London) provides comprehensive careers support for all masters and postgraduate research students. Students receive; one-to-one [guidance sessions](#) with professional careers advisors, [JobOnline and Alert](#) – our internet vacancy system matching students to specific vacancies, , access to physical and [on-line careers libraries](#) containing employer and employment sector information and personality questionnaires and aptitude tests to help prepare students for employer assessment methods. We promote our [REACH online community](#) for those disadvantaged in the graduate recruitment market and [International Futures](#) to address the needs of international students. Post-graduation support is offered through [GradClub](#).

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4. Signposting where information is available on the courses accredited or endorsed by professional bodies employers or sector skills councils

The MPharm degree is accredited by the [General Pharmaceutical Council \(GPhC\)](#). The School enjoys links with many local, regional and national organisations such as the NHS, Pfizer, Boots, Lloyds, Superdrug, Tesco, Co-op and other leading pharmaceutical retailers.

Programmes involve employers at each stage of their design and delivery and many have an integrated programme of guest employer contributions including lectures and workshops.

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