

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

POLICY FOR READMISSION

Students who have to leave the school for personal, disciplinary, or academic reasons have the right to request readmission to the Associate Dean for Student Affairs. The Associate Dean may act on these requests or may forward them to the Student Affairs Committee for review and action if he/she feels faculty input is needed. These requests will be handled in the following manner based on the reason for leaving the program.

Academic or Disciplinary Dismissal

As stated in the school's catalog, "Students who have been academically dismissed once may petition for reinstatement after they have completed some form of remediation. Students who have been academically dismissed twice are not eligible for reinstatement." The Associate Dean and/or committee will review the prepharmacy and pharmacy school academic backgrounds of students requesting readmission. Many times, specific plans of action have been formulated following dismissal. Remediation may include taking certain science courses at institutions, taking written or verbal communication courses or resolving personal or financial situations which inhibited student performance in the program. Typically, specific time periods in which the plans are to take place are established. The Associate Dean and/or committee reviews these plans to make sure they were followed. Students may be called to meet with the Associate Dean and/or committee. Requests for readmission should be made by June 1st for Fall semesters and November 1st for Spring semesters.

Personal Reasons

Many times, students must discontinue their academic training due to personal or financial reasons. When students are ready to return to the school of pharmacy, they must request restatement to the Associate Dean who will consider the request and may or may not place certain conditions on students upon their return. For example, if students have been on leave for a lengthy time period, then they may need to retake specific science courses to update their knowledge base. Students may be requested to retake certain key courses which may have changed or may be key prerequisites to other courses. The key is to make sure that students are well prepared to continue their studies. Students are required to meet with course masters in relevant courses upon their return to inform them of their status. Requests for readmission following a personal leave of absence are typically not reviewed by the Student Affairs Committee. Requests for readmission should be made by June 1st for Fall semesters and November 1st for Spring semesters.