

GPhC - accredited courses leading to eligibility to enter pharmacist pre-registration training in the UK

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Notes

- MPharm degrees were first awarded in 2001, prior to that a variety of qualifications led to pre-registration training in the UK (See historical qualifications document)
- The route to registration in the UK for those qualified in the UK:
 - GPhC-accredited UK MPharm + UK pre-registration training + GPhC/PSNI Registration Assessment
- The route to registration in the UK for non-EEA education persons is:
 - GPhC-accredited UK OSPAP qualification + UK pre-registration training + GPhC/PSNI Registration Assessment
- MPharm degrees in Northern Ireland are jointly accredited by the GPhC and PSNI.
- The Republic of Ireland [Eire] is not part of the United Kingdom. It is a separate country and a member state of the European Union.
- Degrees in the Republic of Ireland are accredited by the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland.

GPhC = General Pharmaceutical Council. The regulatory body for pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacies in Great Britain.

PSNI = Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland. The regulatory body for pharmacists in Northern Ireland

OSPAP = Overseas Pharmacists' Assessment Programme

Great Britain (GB) = England, Scotland and Wales

United Kingdom (UK) = England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland



Table 1: Accredited courses leading to eligibility to enter pharmacist pre-registration training in the UK


Institution	Qualification	Further information
Aston University	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded by Aston University
Aston University	OSPAP is Overseas Pharmacists' Assessment Programme (and it is a postgraduate diploma)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded by Aston University• Conversion course for non-EEA, overseas-qualified pharmacists.
University of Bath	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded by the University of Bath
University of Birmingham	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded by the University of Birmingham• First graduates in 2017
University of Bradford	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded by the University of Bradford• NB. The University of Bradford also offers an MPharm degree (5-year sandwich course) which involves undertaking the four years of the MPharm programme and two six-month blocks of pre-registration training in an intercalated programme.
University of Brighton	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded by the University of Brighton
University of Brighton	OSPAP is Overseas Pharmacists' Assessment Programme (and it is a postgraduate diploma)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded by the University of Brighton• Conversion course for non-EEA, overseas-qualified pharmacists.

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Cardiff University	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by Cardiff University from 2009 • Cardiff University also ran its MPharm in collaboration with Taylor's University, Malaysia. This course was fully accredited, and the first students graduated in 2014. This course is no longer offered.
University of Central Lancashire	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Central Lancashire
De Montfort University	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by De Montfort University
University of Durham	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Durham • First graduates in 2017 • Students transferred from Durham to Newcastle University from 2018.
University of East Anglia	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of East Anglia • NB. The University of East Anglia also offers an integrated 5-year degree which involves undertaking the four years of the MPharm programme and one year of pre-registration training in an integrated programme.
University of Hertfordshire	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Hertfordshire

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University of Hertfordshire	OSPAP is Overseas Pharmacists' Assessment Programme (and it is a postgraduate diploma)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Hertfordshire • Conversion course for non-EEA, overseas-qualified pharmacists.
University of Huddersfield	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Huddersfield
Keele University	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by Keele University
Kingston University	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by Kingston University
Kingston University	OSPAP is Overseas Pharmacists' Assessment Programme (and it is a postgraduate diploma)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by Kingston University • Conversion course for non-EEA, overseas-qualified pharmacists.
King's College London	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by either the University of London or King's College London from 2008
University College London	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of London until 2011 • Awarded by either the University of London or University College London from 2012
Liverpool John Moores University	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by Liverpool John Moores University
University of Lincoln	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Lincoln

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First graduates in 2018
University of Manchester	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Manchester from 2005
Medway School of Pharmacy	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A joint award of the universities of Greenwich and Kent.
University of Nottingham	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Nottingham • The University of Nottingham also run the first two years of its UK MPharm at its University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus [UNMC] campus. The University of Nottingham MPharm delivered at UNMC is fully accredited. • NB. The University of Nottingham also offers an integrated 5-year degree which involves undertaking the four years of the MPharm programme and one year of pre-registration training in an integrated programme.
Newcastle University	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by Newcastle University • Students transferred from Durham to Newcastle University in 2018.
University of Portsmouth	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Portsmouth
Queen's University Belfast	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by Queen's University, Belfast
University of Reading	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by Reading University

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The University of Reading also ran its MPharm at the University of Reading Malaysia Campus. This course was fully accredited in 2018. This programme is no longer offered.
The Robert Gordon University	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by The Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen
University of Strathclyde	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Strathclyde • The University of Strathclyde also ran its MPharm in collaboration with the International Medical University (IMU), Malaysia. This course was fully accredited and the first students graduated in 2011. This programme is no longer offered. • From 2011 there were two Strathclyde-IMU MPharm courses: one accredited, one not. Regulators are advised to check which is being presented. The accredited degree is 4 years' long; the unaccredited degree is 3 ½ years' long.
University of Sunderland	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Sunderland • The University of Sunderland also ran its MPharm in Malaysia in collaboration with the Systematic Education Group International [SEGI] University College. This course was fully accredited and the first students graduated in 2012. This programme is no longer offered.
University of Sussex	MPharm degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded by the University of Sussex • First graduates in 2020



Institution	Qualification	Further information
University of Ulster	MPharm degree	• Awarded by the University of Ulster
University of Wolverhampton	MPharm degree	• Awarded by the University of Wolverhampton

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