The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and The Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy at Rutgers University

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM in PHARMACY

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO STOCKTON BY DECEMBER 15, 2008

DESCRIPTION

- This a very intensive academic program leading to both a Bachelor of Science degree from the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey (RSC) and a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy at Rutgers University (EMSP) in either six or seven years.
- High school seniors who are accepted into this program will take the first two or three years of their course work (pre-Pharmacy) at RSC.
- The Stockton portion of the program consists of all required pre-professional Pharmacy courses plus those needed for a Stockton Bachelor of Science degree in Biology or Biochemistry/Molecular Biology (BCMB).
- The program’s Pharmacy curriculum, the last four years of course work, will be completed at the EMSP.
- The recommended seven-year program can be taken in either the RSC curriculum in Biology or BCMB. Following successful completion of the first year of pharmacy school at Rutgers, a BS degree in Biology or BCMB will be awarded by RSC. (curriculum sheets available upon request.)
- An intensive six-year program must be taken in the RSC Biochemistry/Molecular Biology (BCMB) curriculum. This program is only applicable for those students who enter Stockton with Advanced Placement in at least two of the following areas: Biology, Chemistry, or Mathematics. It may also necessitate enrollment in two summer sessions at RSC. Upon successful completion of the first two years of pharmacy school at Rutgers, a BS degree in BCMB will be awarded by RSC. (See attached curriculum sheets.)
- Upon successfully completing the Pharmacy curriculum, a Doctor of Pharmacy degree will be awarded by Rutgers University.
- If for any reason the pharmacy portion of this program is not completed, the student will be able to return to RSC to complete his/her BS degree requirements.

ADMISSION

- To be considered for admission to this program the applicant must be a high school senior in the top 10% of his/her class, and must be accepted into the RSC undergraduate college in BCMB or Biology.
- Applicants must have completed 4 years of English, 3 years of Science, and 3 years of Mathematics prior to being enrolled at RSC.
- Letters of recommendation from high school teachers or advisors are required.
- Given the intensive nature of the curriculum taken at RSC, it is highly recommended that applicants complete Advanced Placement courses in Biology, Chemistry, and/or Mathematics before entering RSC as well as taking summer session courses when enrolled at RSC.
• The applicant’s SAT scores should be at least 600 each in the Critical Reading and Mathematics sections.
• An interview with representatives from both RSC and Rutgers will be part of the acceptance process.
• The application deadline for all students will be December 15, 2008 of the semester prior to admission to RSC.
• Students will be notified of their acceptance to the Dual Degree Pharmacy Program by April 1st of the semester prior to admission to RSC,

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

• Students must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA at RSC and must have a minimum grade of B in each of the courses required (see attached planning sheets) for entrance into EMSP. Grades of B- are not acceptable.
• Required courses in which grades of B- or less are received cannot be repeated to earn a higher grade in order to remain in the program.
• The academic record of each student will be reviewed at the end of each semester while enrolled at RSC. Students who fail to maintain the required overall 3.0 GPA and/or earn grades of less than B in each required course will be dismissed from the Dual Degree Program in Pharmacy. They will be allowed, if appropriate grades are maintained, to continue at RSC.
• Each student must meet with their preceptor for a preliminary “grad audit” which will take place during the student’s next to last semester at RSC.
• An interview will be conducted by EMSP early in the student’s last semester at Stockton and prior to final admission to the Pharmacy curriculum phase of the program.
• Students must complete an internship in the area of Pharmacy while enrolled at RSC. This could include placement at a retail pharmacy, a hospital or medical center pharmacy, or a pharmaceutical firm.
• Students must successfully complete all pre-EMSP courses at RSC and the four-year pharmacy program at EMSP in order to receive the Doctor of Pharmacy from Rutgers University.

DEGREE CONFERRAL and COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

• Upon completion of appropriate courses at EMSP, students will be certified for degree conferral at RSC following the transfer of the courses and credits to RSC and will be invited to participate in the College’s commencement ceremony.
• Upon completion of appropriate courses at EMSP, students will be conferred the Doctorate of Pharmacy degree from Rutgers University and participate in its commencement ceremony.

TUITION and FEES

• While enrolled at RSC, students will pay the College’s appropriate tuition and fees.
• While enrolled at EMSP, students will pay the appropriate Rutgers University tuition and fees.