WHAT ARE Phar 3700 and Phar 5700?
Phar 3700 and Phar 5700 are both three credit courses designed for students pursuing careers within the health care system requiring competency in reviewing review medication lists and/or working with health communication/documentation.

Phar 3700: Fundamentals of Pharmacotherapy
The goal of this course is to provide students with a general understanding of drug therapy with an emphasis on recognition of brand and generic drug names, their therapeutic classes, and common uses. The course also develops students’ basic proficiency in the use of drug information resources. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to describe the drug regulation process, explain the roles of the pharmacist and various members of the medical team in medication use, and describe and use appropriate drug information resources.

Phar 5700: Fundamentals of Pharmacotherapy
This course is designed for students pursuing careers that require them to have a basic familiarity with drug therapy. In addition to focusing on recognition of brand and generic drug names, their therapeutic classes, and common uses, participants will develop a basic proficiency in the use of drug information resources. With the competencies developed, participants of the course can expect to better review medication lists and work with health communication and documentation. Phar 5700 students are required to complete a project on any related material topic of their choice, as well as additional course material.

HOW ARE the courses structured?
Phar 3700 and 5700 have no textbooks. Instead, all the required materials can be found online, in the course WebVista site. You’ll find audio narrated presentations, study guides, and self-test questions.

These courses are flexible. While you must meet weekly due dates for assignments, course materials are available 24/7 and you never have to meet together at the same time on campus or online!

You can work on the class materials on your own schedule in your own home! Drug information activity quizzes and exams are all submitted through the course site. Assignments are designed to develop students’ competencies in identifying and using drug information resources appropriately and confidently.

INTERESTED in online and self study courses?
Our offices provide additional courses, including:

Phar 1002: Health Sciences Terminology
An introductory course that utilizes the prefixes, suffixes and foots of words as an aid in learning the descriptive vocabulary used in health science. This is a great foundation course for those who work in healthcare or with healthcare professionals.

Phar 1003: Nonprescription Medications and Self-Care: Treating Minor Conditions
An introductory course providing you with the tools necessary to get well faster, save money, and simply take care of themselves.

Phar 1004: Common Prescription Drugs and Diseases
A course designed to help you become an informed and responsible user of medications within the US Healthcare system. You will study controversial issues surrounding medications and the US Healthcare system and then develop weekly written statements to communicate ideas, persuade others, and defend viewpoints related to the issues. Know your rights and responsibilities and become part of national and worldwide healthcare and medication debates! There are no prerequisites and no textbook to buy because all learning materials are available online! Weekly assignments are due, however, so please note that this course is not a self study course.

Phar 4200/5200: Drugs and the US Healthcare System
A course designed to help you become an informed and responsible user of medications within the US Healthcare system. You will study controversial issues surrounding medications and the US Healthcare system and then develop weekly written statements to communicate ideas, persuade others, and defend viewpoints related to the issues. Know your rights and responsibilities and become part of national and worldwide healthcare and medication debates! There are no prerequisites and no textbook to buy because all learning materials are available online! Weekly assignments are due, however, so please note that this course is not a self study course.

For more information on these courses, please visit:
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WHAT DO STUDENTS SAY ABOUT THE COURSE?

“I really like the COURSE STRUCTURE. I wish I could find more classes like this one.”

“GREAT class!”

“This class is useful for my social work courses because it builds on my previous knowledge and HELPS MY UNDERSTANDING of how medications interact.”

“I liked the CONVENIENCE of taking exams at home.”

WHO should take these courses?

Students pursuing careers in healthcare.

Pre-Health professional students (e.g. Pre-Medicine, Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Pharmacy)

Considering enrolling or currently enrolled in a health related degree program (e.g. public health, nursing, kinesiology, mortuary sciences, medical technology, biomedical engineering, nutrition, physiology)

Thinking that they may interact with the health professions in their future careers (e.g. chemistry, journalism, business, economics, psychology, sociology, family social work)

WHY should I register?

Students enrolled in Phar 3700 and Phar 5700:

Develop solid competency in drug information and resources imperative to patient care in health related fields

TELL ME more!

A 3-credit self-study course

All learning materials are online

Participate from any University of Minnesota campus: Twin Cities, Duluth, Rochester, Crookston, or Morris

Unlimited enrollment!

Offered every Fall and Spring semester

Prerequisite: Medical Terminology

HOW do I register?

Twin Cities and Rochester Students:

Find the answers to your questions at:

http://onestop.umn.edu/onestop/registration.html

Duluth Students

Find the answers to your questions at:

http://www.d.umn.edu/register

Other U of M Students:

Please download and complete the “Application for Attending Another University of Minnesota campus as a Multi-Institutional Student,” located at:

http://onestop.umn.edu/onestop/img/assets/9061/otr031.pdf

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