

# Pharmaceutical Calculations

PHAR 7201

Fall 2020

## Course Description

This course focuses on quantitative and qualitative principles encompassing calculations performed by pharmacists in various practice settings.

## Additional Course Description

In this course, fundamental principles and basic techniques involved in pharmaceutical calculations are presented for students to develop skills in pharmaceutical calculations and problem solving applicable to the practice of pharmacy. Scope primarily includes computations related to prescriptions and medication orders.

## Course Credit

2 credit hours

## Pre-Requisites

None

## Co-Requisites

None

## Class Meeting Days, Time & Location

Friday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm; W.T. Brookshire Hall room #137 and online

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## Fisch College of Pharmacy (FCOP) and UT Tyler Policies

This is part 1 of the syllabus. Part 2 contains UT Tyler and the FCOP course policies and procedures. and Part 3 contains policies specific to Fall 2020. These are available as a PDF at

<https://www.uttyler.edu/pharmacy/academic-affairs/>. For experiential courses (i.e., IPPE and/or APPE), the Experiential Manual contains additional policies and instructions that supplement the Syllabus Part 1 and 2.

Please note, the experiential manual may contain policies with different deadlines and/or instructions. The manual should be followed in these cases.

## Required Materials

Most course required materials are available through the Robert R. Muntz Library. These materials are available either online\* (<http://library.uttyler.edu/>) or on reserve.

1. Complete Math Review, 3rd ed. William A. Hopkins. APhA. 2010. e-ISBN: 1-58212-134-6 (Available via online through the Robert R. Muntz Library)
2. Understanding Pharmacy Calculations, 2nd ed. Teresa A. O'Sullivan and Linda S. Albrecht. 2012. ISBN: 1-58212-095-1. (Available via online through the Robert R. Muntz Library)
3. Other required materials will be posted on the classes' Canvas site. The site address is: [uttyler.edu/canvas](http://uttyler.edu/canvas).

### Recommended Materials

1. Pharmaceutical Calculations, 14th ed. Howard C. Ansel. 2013. ISBN: 978-1451120363. Walter Kluwer.
2. Ansel's Pharmaceutical Dosage Forms and Drug Delivery Systems. 9<sup>th</sup> ed. Allen LV, Popovich NG, Ansel HC, et.al. Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. (2010) ISBN: 978-0-78-177934-0. (Available via online through the Robert R. Muntz Library)

### Course Format

The course may include, but are not limited to, the following activities:

1. Independent study of selected readings
2. Individual readiness assessment tests (iRATs)
3. Team-based learning, active learning strategies:
  - a. Team readiness assessment tests (tRATs)
  - b. Team application of content and concepts

### Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs)

CLOs	Related PLO(s)	Assessment Methods	Grading Method	JCPP Skill(s) Assessed	AACP Std. 11 & 12
1. Demonstrate competence in performing pharmaceutical calculations to ensure accuracy and precision and to minimize the risk for error.	1	1	ES	NA	4
2. Interpret and apply common abbreviations and symbols used on prescription and medication orders for correct calculations.	1	1	ES	NA	4

### Course Assessment Methods

	Assessment Method	Description
1	Final Exam Multiple Choice or Multiple Selection Question(s)	Standard MCQ and Select All that apply questions.
2	Final Exam Open Ended Question(s)	Handwritten calculations fill in the blank Question(s) and may involve paper-based calculations. <b>The College will provide calculator during exams)</b>

### Grading Policy & Grade Calculation

Grades will be determined based on evaluation of individual and team readiness assessment tests (iRATs, tRATs), individual and team cumulative assessment tests (iCATs, tCATs), midterm examinations, final written examinations, skills assessments, graded application assignments, participation in team-based projects, peer evaluations and other assessment methods that may include, but not limited to, Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCE). Examinations, RATs and CATs may consist of, but not limited to, multiple-choice, true/false, fill in the blank, short-answer, essay, and problem-based questions.

During the time the course is in progress, students whose cumulative course percentage falls below 70.0% may receive an academic alert and be subject to periodic course content review in special sessions with the course instructor(s). The student's faculty advisor may receive an academic alert to act upon on the student's behalf.

All examinations, quiz, and assignments, including the final examination, may be **cumulative**. Students are responsible for material presented during the prior courses. The grading scale for all graded material is below. The final course grade will be assigned according to the calculated percentage and the percentages will not be rounded upward or downward. For additional information, see examination/assessment policy below.

**Standard Grade Calculation\***

<b>Individual Component</b>	<b>95%</b>
Homework	5%
iRATs	15%
Quiz	15%
Midterm Exam	20%
Final Exam (Cumulative)	40%
<b>Team Component</b>	<b>5%</b>
tRATs	2%
Application	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

***\*The final course letter grade will be determined according to the following grading scheme:***

A	90 - 100 %
B	80 - 89.999 %
C	70 - 79.999 %
D	65.0 - 69.999 %
F	< 65.0 %

## PHAR 7201: Pharmaceutical Calculations Schedule (Fall 2020)

WEEK	DAY	TOPIC	Instructor	CLO	WSOP Category
1	08/28	Pharmaceutical measurement and Temperature Conversion *	Dr. Deba	1	S19
2	09/04	Interpreting Drug and Medication Orders via zoom	Dr. Talukder	1,2	S19
3	09/11	Ratio and Proportion *	Dr. Deba	1,2	S19
4	09/18	Quiz 1 Concentrations and Dilutions	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
5	09/25	Percentage Calculations*	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
6	10/02	Reducing and Enlarging Formulas*	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
7	10/9	Midterm Exam			
8	10/16	Isotonic and Buffer Solutions*	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
9	10/23	Electrolyte Solutions 1*	Dr. Deba	1,2	S19
10	10/30	Quiz 2 Electrolyte Solutions 2	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
11	11/06	Calculation of Intravenous infusion Flow Rates*	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
12	11/13	Calculation of Doses: General Considerations and Patient Parameters*	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
13	11/20	Quiz 3 Business Math	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
Thanksgiving Holiday: November 23-28					
14	12/04	Selected Clinical Calculations	Dr. Deba	1, 2	S19
15	12/08	Final Exams (Comprehensive)			

\* iRATs & tRATs

***Please note that dates, topics, and assignments are subject to change. In the event of a change, you will be given ample notification of the change.***