



PCAT – Pharmacy College Admission Test

This guide is intended to summarize key information about the test. Students MUST consult the website provided for more detailed instructions and information.

Section	Questions	# Minutes	Score	Topics Covered
Writing	2 essays	60	0-5	See Website
Verbal Ability	48	30	200-600	Analogies, sentence completion
Biology	48	30	200-600	Gen Biology, Microbiology, Anatomy & Physiology
Chemistry	48	30	200-600	General Chemistry & Organic Chemistry
Reading Comprehension	48	50	200-600	See Below
Quantitative Ability	48	40	200-600	Basic math, algebra, probability & stats, precalculus, calculus

- Required by most pharmacy schools
- Computer-Based Testing – Test dates now in July, September and January
- \$199 fee which covers the cost of sending scores to 3 pharmacy schools, additional fee for score reports beyond the 3
- Reading comprehension covers comprehension, analysis and evaluation.
- During the test, you can request that your test not be scored which means no scores will be reported to you or any of the schools. This request is irrevocable.
- If there is any evidence of irregular guessing on the exam, the exam score may be invalidated. Examinees are encouraged to NOT randomly fill in bubbles on unanswered questions.
- Test score average of accepted students = 220+
- Unofficial preliminary score report given at the end of the test. Official score reports released within 5 weeks
- Examinees may only register for one test date per testing window. If examinees would like to test more than once during the testing cycle, they must register for different testing windows.
- Examinees who have tested 5 or more times must apply for permission to take the test again
- See www.PCATweb.info for more information and practice exams available for purchase.

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