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## **Touro College of Pharmacy and Lehman College Create New Pharm Path**

### ***Articulation Agreement Creates new Pipeline Program for Qualified Students to Earn Undergraduate and Professional Degrees on a Fast Track, Saving Time and Money***

**New York, N.Y. – May 14, 2019** –[Touro College of Pharmacy](#) (TCOP) in Harlem, and [Lehman College](#), a four-year college in the Bronx that is part of [The City University of New York](#) (CUNY), have created a new pre-pharmacy program for Lehman students. The program will allow qualified students to earn both bachelor's and Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degrees in a year less than usually needed to complete both.

Interested students can apply to the Program through Lehman beginning July 2019, the start of the 2019-2020 application cycle.

Under the agreement, students would apply to TCOP after completing pre-requisites in science, math, humanities, social sciences, English and economics, including a minimum of 60 credits in residence at Lehman, with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and minimum science GPA of 2.75. Favorable recommendations, a personal interview at TCOP, completion of the Pharmacy College Admissions Test (PCAT), and submission of a formal application through the Pharmacy College Application Service (PharmCAS) are also required. Admission to the new program does not guarantee admission to the pharmacy school.

“This exciting new partnership will offer a unique opportunity to enter the challenging and rewarding pharmacy profession. Outstanding students will get a head start on their professional careers, enabling them to obtain bachelors and doctoral degrees in less time and for less money than if each degree was taken separately,” said TCOP Dean Henry Cohen. “We are delighted and honored to join with Lehman, a dynamic and diverse college that is preparing students for science-based careers, in carrying out TCOP’s vital mission to develop the next generation of pharmacists dedicated to promoting wellness - especially among underserved populations in Harlem and beyond.”

“We are very pleased to join TCOP in creating this innovative pathway for students; one that saves them a year of study and a year of tuition on the way to a PharmD degree,” said Lehman Provost Peter Nwosu. “This articulation agreement allows students to fully benefit from their Lehman liberal arts education as they build the basis of their PharmD degree at TCOP. Many Lehman graduates remain in the Bronx after graduation, so we expect this program to add to the pool of health professionals in the borough, helping fulfill the College’s goal to serve the community.”

Under the articulation agreement, Lehman agrees to provide counseling, advising and resources to students in the Program. Students admitted to TCOP must satisfactorily complete their first year of pharmacy school to obtain their bachelor's degree from Lehman.

Learn more about [TCOPS's linkage agreements](#).

***About Lehman College***

*Lehman College, CUNY's only four-year college in the Bronx, serves approximately 15,000 students across 140-degree programs, plus 13,000 students in certificate and workforce development programs. Lehman provides undergraduate and graduate studies in the liberal arts, sciences, and professional education, all within a dynamic research environment. Lehman engages with the community through active service programs, and offers an exceptional performing arts center and art gallery that is open to the public. Named the school with the third highest mobility rate in the country, Lehman is a proud catalyst for economic and social mobility for its students, and for the community it calls home.*

***About Touro College of Pharmacy***

*Since opening the doors to its Harlem campus in 2008, the Touro College of Pharmacy has offered a truly unique educational experience. Touro's exceptional curriculum sets it apart, providing students with nine rotations and other opportunities to put learning into practice, and offers an extraordinary focus on public health, cultural awareness, and community outreach. Small classes maximize personalized instruction, where students' futures come first, providing outstanding opportunities to work closely with knowledgeable and skilled faculty and network with a variety of health care providers. For further information on Touro College of Pharmacy, please go to: <http://tcop.touro.edu/>*

***About the Touro College and University System***

*Touro is a system of non-profit institutions of higher and professional education. Touro College was chartered in 1970 primarily to enrich the Jewish heritage, and to serve the larger American and global community. Approximately 19,200 students are currently enrolled in its various schools and divisions. Touro College has 30 campuses and locations in New York, California, Nevada, Berlin, Jerusalem and Moscow. New York Medical College; Touro University California and Touro University Nevada; Touro University Worldwide and its Touro College Los Angeles division; as well as Hebrew Theological College in Skokie, Ill. are separately accredited institutions within the Touro College and University System. For further information on Touro College, please go to: [www.touro.edu/news](http://www.touro.edu/news)*