



## PHARMACY (PHARM.D.) ACADEMIC AND CAREER INFORMATION

### NATURE OF THE WORK, EARNINGS, AND OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK

Pharmacists are health professionals who are concerned with serving the pharmaceutical needs of patients and communities. The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy reports the principal goal of pharmaceutical care is “to achieve positive outcomes from the use of medication which improves patients’ quality of life.” As a result of society’s changing health and social issues, pharmacists’ roles have broadened to include direct patient care, education, and case management duties. Pharmacists can be found in a variety of settings including community and consultant pharmacies, hospitals and institutions, managed care organizations, the pharmaceutical industry, academics and

