University of Otago Bachelor of Pharmacy and Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City

Credit transfer programme





Complete two years of the Bachelor of Pharmacy at VNU, plus three years of study at Otago and earn a University of Otago Bachelor of Pharmacy.

Why Otago?

The University of Otago is New Zealand's first university and the first choice for more than 21,000 students, including over 2,900 international students from 100 countries.

Still leading the way after 150 years when it comes to world-class, research-led teaching and a university campus experience second to none – two core elements that set the University of Otago apart, and the reason students from across the country and around the world travel to this remarkable place.

Bachelor of Pharmacy (BPharm) at Otago

The Bachelor of Pharmacy at Otago leads to registration with the Pharmacy Council of New Zealand.

Our full-scope curriculum will teach you how to assess prescriptions and recommend better options, give life-saving vaccines, and be a trusted adviser for other healthcare professionals. You'll get hands-on time in our Virtual Professional Practice Laboratory and real-life experience at our pharmacy clinic – the only university pharmacy clinic in New Zealand and Australia.

Career pathways include work in community, hospital, GP medical clinic pharmacists, teaching & clinical research, plus regulatory and industry positions.

Entrance requirements

Completion of prescribed VNU papers with a minimum of a B+ grade (75%) average.

IELTS score of 6.0 in the academic module (with no individual band below 5.5).

Fees and scholarships

2024 tuition fee: NZ\$46,616 per year (estimate)

Career opportunities

Graduates may be eligible for a post-study work visa in New Zealand for up to three years.
immigration.govt.nz





Ranked in the top 1% of universities in the world (QS World University Rankings)



Rated top university in New Zealand for international student experience (International Student Barometer)



Hignest possible international quality rating



95% of graduates go into work or on to further study (Otago graduate Opinion Survey)



Unmatched Supreme Award winners in the National Teaching Excellence Awards



New Zealand's top university for educational performance (TEC Educational Performance Indicators)

Study plan

1. First-year papers at VNU

Year	Term 1	Term 2
1	DDC 01 Marxist-Leninist Philosophy DDC 13 Physical Education I DDC 06 English for Pharmacy 1 DDC 10 Physics DDC 15 National Defence Education	DDC 14 Physical Education 2 DDC 07 English for Pharmacy 2 DNC 04 Pharmacy Practice (Pharmaceutical Skills Lab: Recognition of Medicinal Plants; Field Trip) DNC 01 Pharmaceutical Informatics Technology DDC 11 Inorganic Chemistry DDC 09 Probability and Statistics

2. Second-year papers at VNU

Year	Term 3	Term 4
2	DDC 03 Vietnamese Communist Party's Strategies and Policies DDC 12 Biology DCS 10 Organic Chemistry DDC 08 English for Pharmacy 3 DCS 01 Anatomy DCS 02 Physiology	DCS 09 Clinical Biochemistry DCS 07 Botany DCS 08 Physical Chemistry DCS 03 Microbiology DCS 04 Parasitology DCS 05 Pathophysiology and Immunology

3. Third-year papers at UO

Year	First semester – Feb	Second semester – Jul
3	PHCY 210 Introduction to Pharmacy PHCY 211 Fundamental Pharmaceutical Science	PHCY 220 Integrated Modules A

4. Fourth-year papers at UO

Year	First semester – Feb	Second semester – Jul
4	PHCY 310 Integrated Modules B	PHCY 320 Integrated Modules C

5. Fifth-year papers at UO

Year	Full year
5	PHCY 410 Elective Studies A PHCY 420 Pharmacy Management PHCY 430 Elective Studies B PHCY 431 Structured Practical Experiential Programme PHCY 432 Applied Pharmacotherapy and Patient Care

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