Our six-year Doctor of Pharmacy program offers training in managed care, epidemiology, pharmacoeconomics, and toxicology, while providing a solid foundation in clinical practice. As a pharmacy graduate, you’ll be eligible to take the pharmacy examination or state boards required for licensure as a professional pharmacist. With your pharmacy license, you can practice pharmacy anywhere in the United States. You can also pursue a career in teaching, research, or management, or further your education through a hospital residency or graduate program.

URI was the first College of Pharmacy to provide a state-of-the-art human patient simulator, and we remain one of the few schools in New England to also provide a baby simulator—our high-tech teaching gives you unparalleled hands-on experience. To further enhance your education, we embrace the latest innovations in technology, including an IMAX quality visualization system. You can take advantage of our international pharmacy focus with a semester in France or choose a clinical rotation with our partners in Alaska, Florida, and throughout New England. We encourage you to increase your marketability by taking on a minor or dual major—you can master a foreign language, concentrate on communications, or even prepare for graduate school. Many of our courses also count towards an M.B.A. For more information, visit uri.edu/pharmacy.

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Major
Pharm.D. (six-year entry level)

A typical first semester for a freshman includes:
• 4 credits in general principles of biology
• 3 credits in English communication
• 4 credits in general chemistry
• 3 credits in general electives

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Paul Hastings ’84, president, therapeutics division, Genzyme
Linda Rowe-Varone ’92, ’02, pharmacist, Butler Hospital
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