

MPharm Interview Question Bank

21 Practice Questions. 7 Interview Categories.



**Preparing for your pharmacy university interview?
Explore seven common interview categories, discover
useful answering techniques and practise questions
designed to build your confidence.**

You don't need to have the perfect answer to every interview question. Focus on understanding your experiences, reflecting on what you've learnt and building the confidence to communicate your thoughts clearly, one question at a time.



This question bank covers common MPharm interview topics. Always check your chosen universities' latest interview guidance.



1

Motivation & Insight into Pharmacy



Answering technique:

Motivation → Evidence → Reflection → Future

1

Why do you want to study pharmacy?

2

What have you done to develop your understanding of the pharmacy profession?

3

How do you think the role of pharmacists will change in the future?



Top tip:

Use specific experiences and demonstrate genuine understanding of the profession.



2

Personal Qualities



Answering technique:

STAR (situation, task, action, result) + Reflection

1

Tell us about a time you demonstrated teamwork.

2

Describe a situation where you overcame a challenge.

3

Tell us about a time you received constructive feedback.



Top tip:

Focus on your actions, what you learnt and how the experience relates to pharmacy.

3 Ethics



ANSWERING TECHNIQUE

Identify Issue → Consider Stakeholders → Prioritise Safety → Explain Action

1

What would you do if a patient refused a recommended treatment?

2

What would you do if you witnessed a healthcare professional making a medication error?

3

How would you respond if a friend asked you to share confidential patient information?



TOP TIP

Prioritise patient safety, confidentiality, professionalism and appropriate escalation.

4 Pharmaceutical Calculations



ANSWERING TECHNIQUE

Identify Units → Select Formula → Calculate → Check

1

A patient requires 5g of a medicine. Each tablet contains 250 mg. How many tablets are needed?

2

A liquid contains 250 mg in 5 mL. What volume provides a 1750 mg dose?

3

A solution contains 50g of medicine in 250 mL. What is its percentage strength (% w/v)?



TOP TIP

Show your working, check units and ensure your final answer is reasonable.

5

Situational Judgment (SJT)



Answering technique:

Identify Concern → Evaluate Options → Choose Professional Response

1

A team member repeatedly arrives late, affecting the workload. How would you respond?

2

You notice a colleague skipping an important safety check. What should you do?

3

You have several urgent tasks and limited time. How would you prioritise them?



TOP TIP: Consider patient safety, teamwork, honesty and your professional responsibilities.

6

Role Plays



Answering technique:

Introduce → Listen → Explore → Respond → Summarise

1

A patient is upset about a delay in receiving their medication. How would you respond?

2

Explain to a patient why following medicine instructions is important.

3

A nervous student asks you about studying pharmacy. How would you reassure and advise them?



TOP TIP: Demonstrate empathy, active listening, clear communication and professionalism.

7 Pharmacy Hot Topics

Interviewers may explore recent developments in pharmacy. Use a balanced, informed and reflective approach.



ANSWERING TECHNIQUE

Explain Issue → Benefits → Challenges → Balanced Conclusion

1.

How is pharmacist independent prescribing changing the profession?

2.

Could artificial intelligence/ automation improve pharmacy practice?

3.

What are some of the biggest challenges facing community pharmacy in the UK?



TOP TIP

Consider different perspectives and explain how developments affect patients and healthcare professionals.

**Reading Questions Is One Thing.
Practising Them Is Another.**

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