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The Health Services Research in Pharmacy (HSRP) PhD program at the UW–Madison School of Pharmacy has a singular focus on improving medication outcomes. The program is designed to provide rigorous, interdisciplinary training for theory-based research in improving patient outcomes, including knowledge and understanding of medication use, patient and provider communication and behaviors, patient safety, and healthcare systems.

The program prepares the next generation of health services researchers to best meet the needs of patients and the communities in which they live. By integrating knowledge of pharmacy and pharmaceuticals with theories and concepts from the social and management sciences, medicine, epidemiology, history, and economics, the HSRP PhD at UW–Madison delivers a program rich in both depth and breadth, giving graduates the tools to design and shape the future of health care delivery.

The PhD in Health Services Research in Pharmacy gives you the tools to help you effect policy change at a much larger scale. This means you can positively influence the lives of millions, whether it’s in the US or around the world.

— Ephrem Abebe (MS ’14, PhD ’16), Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice at Purdue University UW–Madison HSRP graduate
One of the things that really drew me to this program was the long-standing tradition, how long this program has been in place. It’s known that this is where you want to go for an HSRP program.

— Taylor Watterson, PharmD, graduate student in UW–Madison’s HSRP PhD program

THE BEST CHOICE IN HSRP

AN INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACH
The HSRP PhD program’s interdisciplinary approach combines theories, concepts and methods from a broad array of disciplines. And unlike many doctoral programs, HSRP requires a PhD minor, which students can shape to their skills, interests, and career goals. This allows HSRP to prioritize interdisciplinarity, while still allowing flexibility so students can forge their own academic paths. Minors include population health, health communication, industrial & systems engineering, public policy, and more.

COMPETITIVE FUNDING
The HSRP program provides an extremely competitive funding and support package. HSRP faculty believe in supporting graduate students in their quest for knowledge and research expertise. Maintaining a range of graduate student funding mechanisms is a high priority, including fellowships and assistantships that include tuition, competitive stipends, and medical and dental insurance. Support also includes new laptops for first-year graduate students, and research travel funding.

NATIONAL PROMINENCE
Students in the HSRP graduate program have the advantage of studying at UW–Madison, a national research powerhouse with over $1B in annual research expenditure. The HSRP PhD program is nationally recognized for its areas of research expertise, strong job placement, and world-renowned faculty.

ALUMNI SUCCESS
The program has proven successful in placing graduates in tenure-track positions in research intensive academic institutions, competitive postdoctoral fellowships, the pharmaceutical industry, managed care, non-profits, and government agencies.

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