

Criminal Background Checks and Drug Tests

Many facilities that The University of Oklahoma colleges use for clinical experiences require students to pass a criminal background check and/or a drug screen test. Each clinical facility may have specific requirements related to background checks or drug testing of students and employees unique to that facility. Such background checks and drug tests are rotation practice site requirements, not requirements of The University of Oklahoma or the College.

The College of Pharmacy is responsible for providing acceptable training sites for its students, preparing students appropriately for required board or licensure exams, and providing students with the appropriate knowledge to practice their profession. It is the student's responsibility to comply with the criminal background check and drug test requirements of the facilities in which the student rotates. Prior to the rotation start date, the student should contact the appropriate academic department or college clinical representative. Lack of timeliness in supplying the required documentation and testing to the facility may delay the student's participation in the scheduled clinical experience.

The College is not responsible for finding rotation practice sites for students who are unable to meet the requirements for rotation practice sites, including passing background checks or drug screens; nor does it assure that a graduate will be allowed to register for required exams or obtain required licenses to practice. Students should be aware that failure to pass a background check or drug test, as determined by each facility, will prevent the student from participating in that clinical experience and may delay the student's completion of the degree program requirements or prevent the student from completing the degree program.