

## **Participation in Required Clinical Experiences (Pharmacy Intern License, Criminal Background Checks and Drug Tests)**

Each student must obtain a pharmacy intern license from the Oklahoma State Board of Pharmacy in order to participate in clinical experiences. The license must be issued by the first day of scheduled clinical experiences during the P1 fall semester and cannot be restricted, i.e. requiring a waiver from the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics. **A student who has a felony conviction of any type or misdemeanor conviction related to drugs will not be able to obtain an unrestricted pharmacy intern license and will therefore be ineligible to participate in clinical experiences and complete the degree program.**

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. 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.

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 the College allow students to contact preceptors or rotation sites directly for the purpose of completing clinical experiences. The College does not 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.