



MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE *of* PHARMACY *and* HEALTH SCIENCES

YOUR HEALTHCARE CAREER STARTS HERE



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According to the Institute of International Education's 2013–2014 Open Doors report, MCPHS ranked in the top 10 "special focus" universities in the nation for hosting international students. We were also the top health sciences university on the list!

A GLOBAL LEADER IN HEALTHCARE EDUCATION

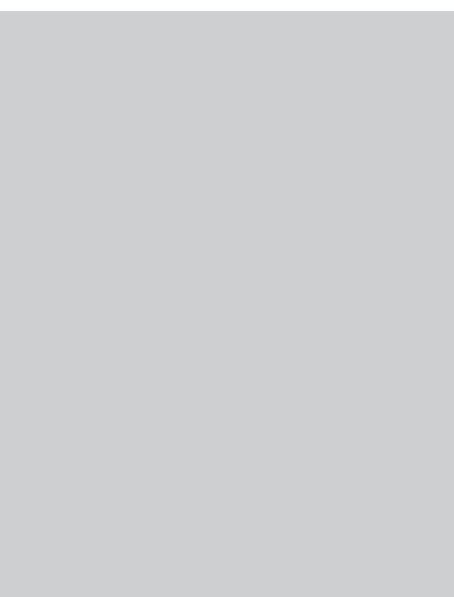
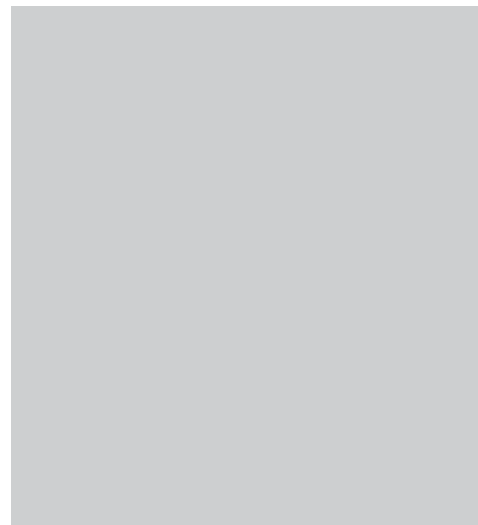
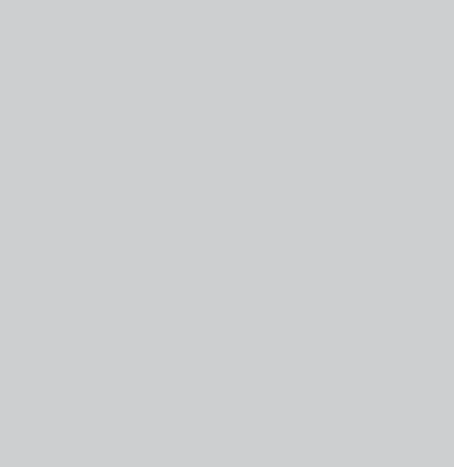
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) has been a global leader in healthcare education since 1823. As the oldest university in Boston and the second-oldest pharmacy program in the United States, we have prepared more students for professional pharmacy careers than any other academic institution in the world.

MCPHS offers innovative degrees in a wide variety of healthcare disciplines, so pharmacy is not our only focus. Our degrees are designed to get you into the healthcare field faster than students at other universities and to make you more competitive in your job search. Plus, our state-of-the-art facilities and the hands-on practice we offer you at hospitals and world-class healthcare institutions in Boston will give you unique experience to set you apart as a job applicant.

A healthcare degree from MCPHS gives you recognition worldwide as a graduate from a respected and accredited American institution. Our connections to prestigious healthcare institutions around the world and extensive alumni network ensure that when you graduate, you will have countless job opportunities both in the United States and in your home country.

MCPHS ADVANTAGES

- 7,000 students on 5 campuses
- More than 70 healthcare programs
- Cutting-edge facilities and equipment
- Diverse clinical opportunities in top-ranking U.S. healthcare institutions
- Nearly 90 percent freshman retention rate
- 17:1 student-to-faculty ratio
- Faculty from 25 countries on 6 continents



WORLD-CLASS HEALTHCARE DEGREES

MCPHS offers healthcare degrees that are respected and recognized around the world. We provide bachelor's degrees, master's degrees, and doctoral degrees in a variety of healthcare disciplines.

Some programs are accelerated, which means you can get a bachelor's degree in three years. These programs are designed to get you into the healthcare field faster than students at other universities. All of our degrees give you valuable hands-on practice in professional settings that will make you competitive in the United States and around the world.

We offer more than 70 undergraduate, graduate, and online programs in the following areas.

OUR PROGRAMS

HEALTH SCIENCES AND MEDICAL

Biology (Medical and Molecular)

INCLUDING PATHWAYS TO

- Clinical Lab Science
- Forensic Science
- Histotechnology
- Podiatric Medicine
- Pathology

Chemistry/Pharmaceutical Chemistry

Health Sciences

Premedical and Health Studies

INCLUDING PATHWAYS TO

- Anesthesia
- Chiropractic Medicine
- Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Medical School
- Osteopathic Medicine
- Podiatric Medicine
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Veterinary Medicine

NURSING (ACCELERATED DEGREE)

Nursing

DENTAL HYGIENE (ACCELERATED DEGREE)

Dental Hygiene

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT

Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)

HEALTHCARE BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION

Global Healthcare Management

Health Policy

Patient Safety

Pharmaceutical and Healthcare Business

Public Health

Regulatory Affairs

PSYCHOLOGY

Health Psychology

MEDICAL IMAGING AND THERAPEUTICS (ACCELERATED DEGREES)

Diagnostic Medical Sonography

Echocardiography

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

Nuclear Medicine Technology (NMT)

Radiation Therapy (RTT)

Radiography

PHARMACY

Biomedical Informatics

Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD)

Pharmaceutical Sciences

Pharmacology and Toxicology

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)

OPTOMETRY

Doctor of Optometry (OD)

To learn more about our academic programs, visit admission.mcphs.edu/academics.

BOSTON

MASSACHUSETTS, USA



BOSTON IS A CITY WITH A DIVERSE COMMUNITY FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Its chief economy is based on innovation, research, and education. You can take advantage of that economy to learn and to make an impact in healthcare at MCPHS. Our graduates become leaders in healthcare all over the world and right here in Boston at the city's thriving research institutions, pharmaceutical companies, biotech companies, and world-class hospitals and labs.



#1 Boston is ranked #1 in the United States and #6 in the world on the list of Best Student Cities 2015.

TOP 5

Boston is in the Top Five U.S. Metropolitan Areas Attracting International Students.*

52.6

From 2008 to 2012, 52.6 percent of international graduates stayed in Boston to work.*

250,000

Boston has more than 250,000 college students.

11.3

Massachusetts accounts for 11.3 percent of the U.S.-based drug development pipeline. Massachusetts companies account for 5 percent of the global biologics pipeline.

56,462

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Massachusetts's biotech sector employed 56,462 biopharma workers in 2012.

65

65 out of every 1,000 Boston students are international.*

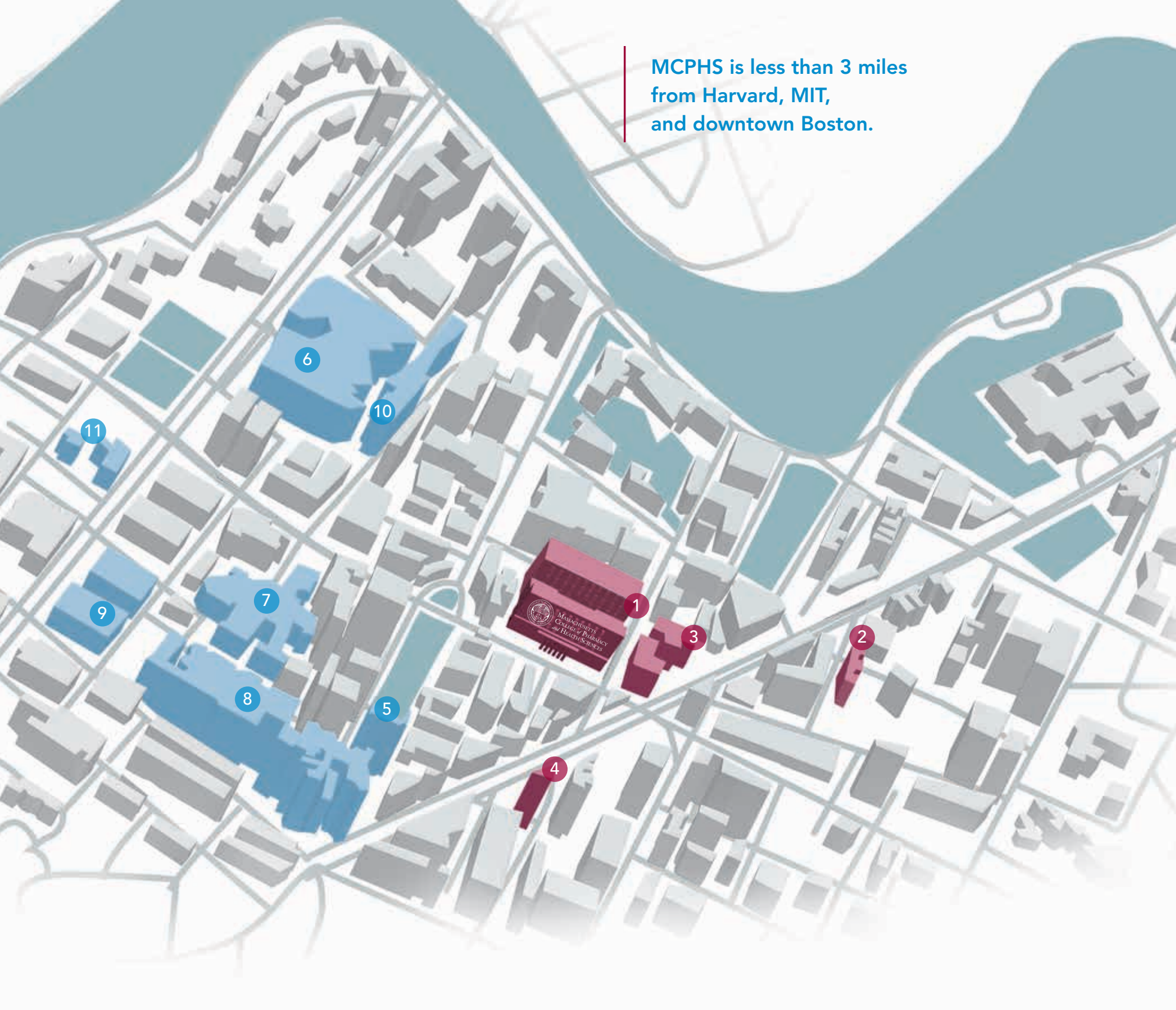
75,000

Boston teaching hospitals collectively employ more than 75,000 people.

500

Massachusetts has more than 500 biotech and pharmaceutical companies and nearly 300 are drug development companies.

*According to a 2014 article in *The Boston Globe Magazine*.



MCPHS is less than 3 miles from Harvard, MIT, and downtown Boston.

MCPHS is located in the Longwood Medical and Academic Area right next to prominent hospitals and healthcare facilities. More healthcare research is done here than anywhere else in the world. This dynamic area provides you with opportunities for academic and clinical experiences at some of the most prestigious medical and research institutions in the world.

THE LONGWOOD MEDICAL AND ACADEMIC AREA

1. MCPHS Main Campus
179 Longwood Avenue

The main part of our Boston campus connects three buildings (Matricaria, White, and Fennell) to provide a safe, convenient place where students can learn and live a short walk from their classes.

2. MCPHS Residence Hall

The first eco-friendly residence hall in Boston. The "Tree House" is shared with MassArt, a member of the Colleges of the Fenway.

3. MCPHS/MassArt Dining Commons

The shared cafeteria for MassArt and MCPHS.

4. The MCPHS Griffin Academic Center

Home to the Center for Professional Career Development (CPCD), nursing lab, and Alumni and Development offices.

5. Harvard Medical School

MCPHS physician assistant students take gross anatomy classes in Harvard Medical School's labs.

6. Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Hosts more than 750,000 patients annually in and around Boston. It was the first U.S. hospital to adopt a Patient Bill of Rights and it is the official hospital of the Boston Red Sox.

7. Boston Children's Hospital

U.S. News and World Report ranked Boston Children's Hospital #1 in 6 out of 10 specialties in 2014-2015. It is the #1 pediatric hospital in the United States.

8. Brigham and Women's Hospital

The largest hospital in the Longwood Medical and Academic Area. It receives \$302 million from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for its research and employs more than 3,300 researchers.

9. The Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center

An inter-institutional research enterprise that unites all cancer research of the Harvard-affiliated community, including New England's top-ranked cancer hospital.

10. The Wyss Institute for Biologically Inspired Engineering

A cross-disciplinary research institute that focuses on the emerging field of biologically inspired engineering. Researchers here have developed tiny flying robots, inspired by the biology of a fly, to assist dwindling bee populations.

11. Joslin Diabetes Center

The world's leading diabetes research, clinical care, and education organization. It employs more than 300 researchers who have revolutionized the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of diabetes. More than 23,000 active patients receive specialty care there.

HOW WE PREPARE YOU TO SUCCEED

MCPHS has been teaching students for nearly 200 years, so we know how to make them successful in healthcare. We will help you quickly get a high-paying job by connecting you with the technology, people, and places you need to succeed in healthcare. All of these things will provide you with hands-on educational opportunities to make you a better healthcare provider and make you stand out as a job applicant.

One place you will get hands-on education is in our cutting-edge facilities on campus. Our financial stability as a university allows us to invest regularly in the latest technology for our labs and clinics. This means you will be working with the best equipment in our labs and when you are treating patients in our on-campus clinics.

Another place you will get important hands-on experience is through internships, clinical rotations, and volunteer opportunities. Our strong partnerships with prestigious hospitals and healthcare institutions in Boston and around the world allow you to easily find these important opportunities to learn. Our network of more than 20,000 alumni can help you find opportunities and secure jobs at these organizations once you graduate.

PATHWAYS TO GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS

Even after you graduate from MCPHS, we want to help you succeed. If you are thinking about specializing in a certain field by attending graduate or professional school, look into our pathways. We collaborate with professional schools so you can have specialized and coordinated education that will prepare you to enter their programs. These partnerships also allow you to receive priority application review for entry into medical school, veterinary school, dental school, and other graduate programs.

ACADEMIC RESOURCES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

We understand that it is not easy to study in another country. That is why we offer a wide range of academic resources to support you as an international student.

ACADEMIC COUNSELING

We provide academic counseling specific to international students. Our academic counselors will help you with setting academic and career goals, understanding academic policies and procedures, and adjusting class schedules to fit your needs.

STUDY ABROAD

We help you find study-abroad opportunities outside the United States. Our Center for International Studies encourages your global engagement by finding you volunteer and clinical opportunities through our partnerships with universities and healthcare organizations around the world.

INTERNATIONAL MENTORS

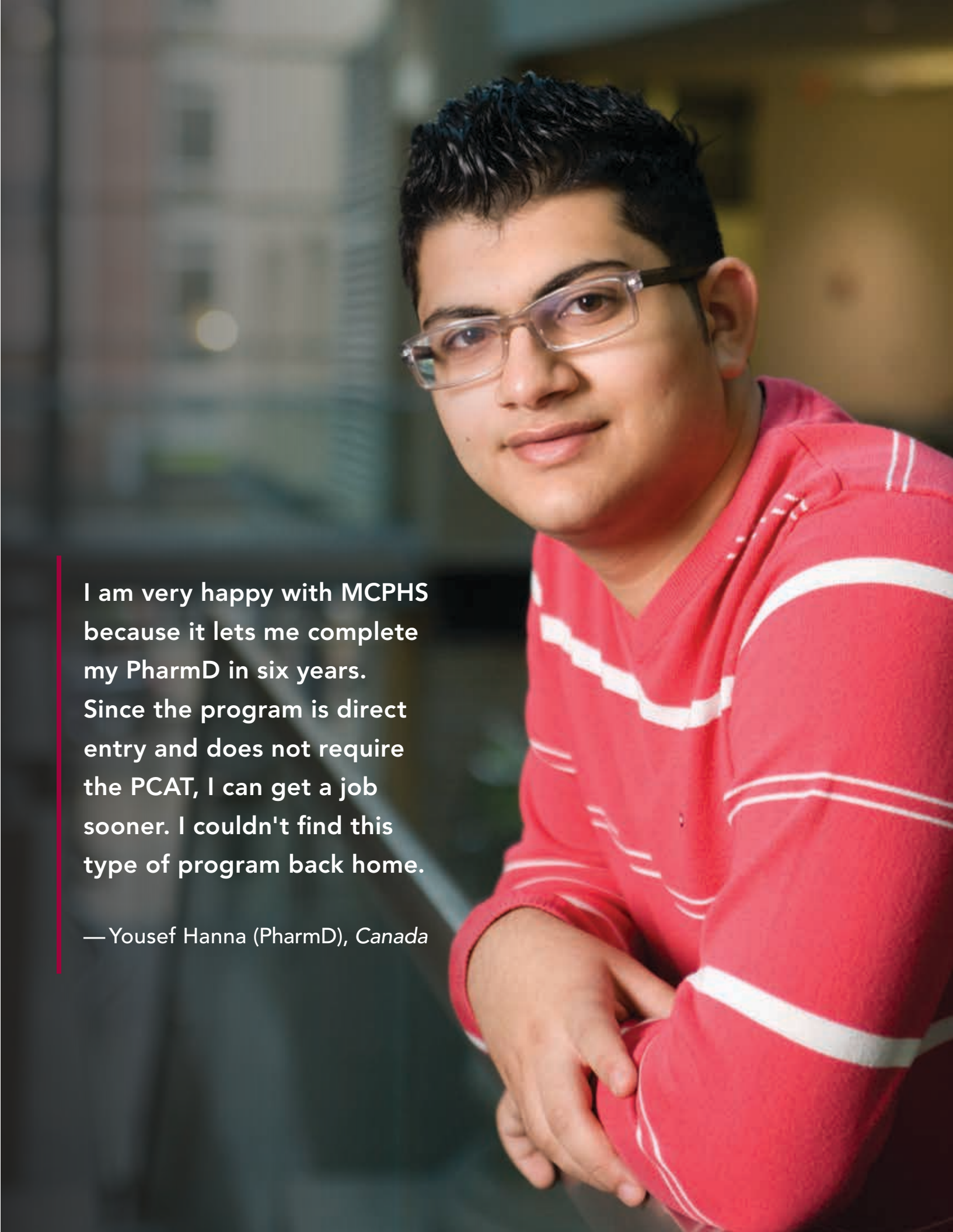
We assign you mentors who are international students just like you. You can decide if you want your international mentor to come from the same country as you or not.

IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE

We provide you with guidance on how to best use your visa benefits for internships, work, and travel. Our Immigration Services Office will answer your questions and give you information about questions that you might not know to ask.

OPT (OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING)

Our Immigration Services Office assists in the Optional Practical Training (OPT) application process. OPT allows you to obtain F-1 (student visa) employment directly related to your field of study after graduation. Some international alumni from MCPHS have used their OPT benefit to accept retail pharmacy positions, hospital employment, and postgraduate-year residencies both in the Boston area and around the United States.



I am very happy with MCPHS because it lets me complete my PharmD in six years. Since the program is direct entry and does not require the PCAT, I can get a job sooner. I couldn't find this type of program back home.

—Yousef Hanna (PharmD), *Canada*



Shaopeng Liu
Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) | Suizhou, Hubei, China

Find out what life is like for an international student at MCPHS. Watch our video with Shaopeng Liu, a Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) student from China. In it he shares his advice for international students and talks about why he enjoys attending college in Boston.

www.mcphs.edu/shaopeng

STUDENT LIFE AND STUDENT SERVICES AT MCPHS

MCPHS WANTS YOU TO FEEL COMFORTABLE AND SAFE IN YOUR STUDENT EXPERIENCE. OUR STUDENT SERVICES HELP YOU TRANSITION TO STUDYING IN THE UNITED STATES. THEY ALSO ALLOW YOU TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR AMERICAN EXPERIENCE.

HOUSING

If you are a freshman international student, you are guaranteed a room in one of our residence halls. These buildings are next to our classrooms and labs or within a short walking distance. They have 24-hour security, and no one can access the buildings without an MCPHS ID. Since our campus and residence halls are in the Longwood Medical and Academic Area, you can feel reassured that you will be living in one of the safest and most secure areas of Boston.

STUDENT SERVICES

Before you arrive in Boston you will receive immunization guidance to make sure you have all of the required immunizations you need to study in the United States. When you arrive, you will be offered pickup from Boston's Logan Airport to help you find your way safely to our campus. After you arrive on campus, our Student Life staff will share tips with you on living in America, like how to open an American bank account and how to find student discounts.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AMBASSADORS

Did you know you can work on campus? Your student visa allows you to work a limited number of hours per week during which you can participate in campus life and earn a little extra money. There are many ways to get involved and earn money on campus. One is to be an International Student Ambassador (ISA).

ISAs are current students hired and trained to help you make the most of your new life in America. You will participate in many activities with them, which will allow you to meet and network with American students. After your first year at MCPHS, you can apply to be an ISA so you can help other international students like yourself.

Past ISA activities include

- Boston city and history tours
- A winter shopping excursion
- Halloween and Thanksgiving celebrations
- Language lounges
- Sporting events
- Professional conferences
- Social gatherings

STUDENT LIFE

There are many great cultural experiences you can have in Boston and opportunities to get involved on campus at MCPHS. Boston has numerous houses of worship so that you can attend religious services and meet others who share similar beliefs. MCPHS offers more than 90 different clubs and organizations across its campuses. Whatever your personal and professional interests, MCPHS and Boston have activities and experiences to fit them.

HOW TO APPLY

SCHOLARSHIPS

MCPHS does not give full-tuition scholarships, but we can award special recognition scholarships to international students. These scholarships are based on merit (your grades, application file, and profile) and not on your financial need. Scholarships for international students range from **\$1,000 to \$8,000 USD** per year. They are renewable if you maintain specific academic performance.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applying to MCPHS as a freshman is free. MCPHS considers applicants who have completed at least one semester of college courses to be a transfer applicant. Application requirements for freshmen, transfer, and graduate applicants vary by program. All programs require a minimum of the following documents for review:

- The corresponding application.
 - **International freshmen** applicants can find their application at www.mcphs.edu/internationalapplication.
 - **International transfer** applicants can find the application for their program at www.mcphs.edu/transferapply.
 - **International graduate** applicants can find the application for their program at www.mcphs.edu/graduateapply.
- Your transcripts from the past three years
- Your score from a standardized test of English such as
 - TOEFL
 - IELTS
 - iTEP
 - Act Compass (test on MCPHS campus)
- A letter of recommendation from your biology, chemistry, or advanced math teacher

An SAT or ACT is **not required** for international freshmen, but if you have already taken one, your score may be submitted instead of the English Proficiency Test.

If you meet the academic requirements for your program but not the English Language requirements, we can offer conditional admission. You should also learn more about our Bridge Program.

BRIDGE PROGRAM

You may have studied English but are not quite ready for a rigorous, full-time academic load. Through our Bridge Program you may use your first semester to take academic courses as well as a “Bridge” class. In this class a professor will help you review academic content from your courses. At the same time you also take intensive Professional English classes, which complement and contribute to your success in your degree program.

The Bridge Program at MCPHS provides a full-time, structured transition to university curriculum. While attending Bridge, you would attend full-credit courses with classmates in your degree program. To help with your understanding of these classes, Bridge faculty attends these lectures and then conducts a special class to review the vocabulary and concepts with you.

Students who have studied in the Bridge Program benefit from a jump-start in their university coursework, an easier transition into the American classroom, and a higher overall GPA in their academic program.

CONTACT US

Have questions about MCPHS, our application requirements, or about what it's like to live in Boston? Contact our International Admission team. One of our admission counselors would be happy to help you.

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