

## **University Of Cape Coast** **Cape Coast, Ghana**

The University of Cape Coast is the topmost ranked University in West Africa (Times Higher Education 2024 Rankings). It is an equal opportunity University set in Cape Coast, an important historical city in the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade. The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (SoPPSs) is domiciled in the College of Health and Allied Sciences and runs a 6-year Doctor of Pharmacy Programme. SoPPS' PharmD programme is enriched with several opportunities for experiential training, spanning clinical, community-based and pharma-industry. SoPPS collaborates extensively with the Cape Coast Teaching Hospital for the clinical training of its PharmD students.

Initially established in 1998 as the Central Regional Hospital, the Cape Coast Teaching Hospital (CCTH) is a tertiary hospital in the Central Region of Ghana and the major referral center for the western and central parts of Ghana. The hospital is situated in northern Cape Coast, about 15 minutes' drive from the University of Cape Coast. The 400-bed facility provides both out-patient and in-patient general and specialized services in diagnostics and rehabilitation. Specialized clinics run by the hospital include; Urology, Nephrology, Hematology, Endocrinology, Neurology, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatric and Infectious disease. The special clinics are operated by specialists and consultants in the various specialties. Thus, the facility is an important training site for the West African College of Pharmacists as the well as the Ghana College of Pharmacists, both of which run Fellowship programmes in pharmacy practice.

The hospital also serves as a study site for clinical training of undergraduate students offering various courses in health and allied sciences. Due to its partnership with some organizations and institutions in and out of Ghana, CCTH hosts students, volunteers and researchers from time to time. Aside provision of clinical services and teaching of students, CCTH is highly involved in various research activities as well as community services.