

Physician (D.O.)

- Osteopathic physicians are licensed to diagnose, treat, prescribe and perform surgery in all 50 states and the District of Columbia
- Training includes a holistic approach and a focus on the musculoskeleton system (structure influences function)
- Approximately 50% of D.O.'s practice family medicine, general internal medicine or general pediatrics

2008 Applicants

-Mean MCAT scores for applicants	Verbal	8.31 ± 1.99
	Biological Science	8.80 ± 1.81
	Physical Science	8.17 ± 1.83

-11,742 for 4,389 seats

-24 schools and 3 branch campuses

-Mean number of applications per applicant is 7.05

-GPA	Science	3.24 ± 1.99
	Overall	3.39 ± 0.33

-More than 6,000 of the 11,731 applicants were biology majors. Psychology majors (>1,000) was second most frequently reported major.

Osteopathic physicians can choose any specialty, prescribe drugs, perform surgeries and practice medicine anywhere in the USA.

4 years of medical schools plus 3-6 years of attitional medicine training (Internships and residencies)

Training to consider the health of the whole person and use their hands to help diagnose and treat their patients

12 Qu 8 Semester Units	Biology/Zoology with lab	Biol 172, 173
12 Qu 8 Semester Units	Inorganic Chemistry (general) with lab,	Chem 120A/B
12 Qu 8 Semester Units	O'Chem with lab,	Chem 301A/B, Chem 302
12 Qu 8 Semester Units	Physics with lab,	Phy211, 211L, 212, 212L
9 Qu 6 Semester Units	College English/ English Composition,	Eng 101, 301
9 Qu 6 Semester Units	Behavioral Sciences	
4 Semester Units	Math	

Strongly Encouraged: Biochemistry (Chem 421), Microbiolgy (Biol 302), Immunology (Biol 424, Anatomy (Biol 361), Physiology (Biol 362)

Prerequisites need to be completed by July 1 of matriculation year.