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Description

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences College of Osteopathic Medicine is a private, four-year osteopathic medical school emphasizing the highest quality medical education, community service and compassion in medicine. The university has twice received the coveted John Templeton Spirituality in Medicine Award, one of only two medical schools in the country to be so honored.

Mission Statement

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences, a private, not-for-profit institution of higher education founded in 1916, is a key urban partner in the greater Kansas City community. We are committed to excellence in the education of highly qualified students in osteopathic medicine and the life sciences. We are a community of students and teachers; scientists and scholars; physicians and health care professionals; administrators and staff, with a common conviction that ability is gained through knowledge, integrity is learned by example, and compassion and empathy are first received and then given. We are united in our commitment to: Developing and sustaining the highest quality educational programs for the preparation of physicians, ethicists and scientists who are leaders in meeting the needs of an ever-changing society; Maintaining a culture which embodies the principles and philosophy of our heritage, exemplifying humane, holistic and compassionate care; Contributing to the advancement of knowledge through research and scholarly activities; Developing the potential of students and faculty by sustaining a learning environment which emphasizes educational and personal values and a striving toward excellence. Fundamental to our mission is the preservation

and renewal of human life. **Our core values:** leadership, humility, faith and positivity, integrity, compassion and service. Recte Faciendo Neminem Time: Do right, fear nothing.

Setting: Kansas City, MO; Urban

Date Founded: 1916

Accreditation

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences College of Osteopathic Medicine is accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) and by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Institutional Affiliation

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences

2007-2008 Enrollment

Total medical school enrollment: 983

Total male: 489

Total female: 494

First-year enrollment: 254

First-year male: 126

First-year female: 128

Total enrollment affiliate institutions: 1,010

Curricular Offerings

- KCUMB-COM's clinical presentation-based curriculum integrates the basic and clinical sciences throughout all four years in a structure that encourages independent learning and clinical problem solving, and that provides abundant early clinical experiences.
- Concepts of health-care policy, medical informatics, women's health, palliative care, public health, preventive medicine and communication skills are integrated throughout the four-year curriculum.
- Enhanced clinical clerkships during students' third and fourth years take place in a wide variety of medical settings in Kansas City and throughout the United States, and reinforce important learning objectives while integrating academic assessment.
- KCUMB-COM's curriculum has received national and international recognition for its focus on the physician-patient relationship.

Combined Degree Programs

Baccalaureate/DO: Yes

KCUMB-COM established an early matriculation program, called the Partnership Plan, with several outstanding undergraduate institutions. As a prospective Partnership Plan student, you will apply early in the fall semester of your sophomore year. An interview takes place on your undergraduate campus with representatives of the Pre-Health Advisor Committee and one representative from KCUMB. http://www.kcumb.edu/Adm2/com_programs.asp

DO/MA: Yes

The degree program provides a broad orientation

to the interdisciplinary field of bioethics, including an in-depth examination of philosophical and religious ethics. Students can complete both the DO and Master of Arts in Bioethics at the end of four years. http://www.kcumb.edu/Adm2/com_programs.asp

DO/MS: No

DO/MPH: No

DO/MBA: Yes

Students in the DO/MBA in Healthcare Leadership dual-degree program, which is unique among U.S. medical schools, will learn how business practices and processes work together to create efficient health-care managerial systems. MBA coursework is carefully integrated into the KCUMB curriculum, allowing you to complete both programs on time and graduate with other members of your KCUMB class. http://www.kcumb.edu/Adm2/com_programs.asp

DO/JD: No

DO/PhD: No

The KCUMB College of Biosciences **Master of Science in the Biomedical Sciences** prepares students for careers as research associates in major laboratories or advanced study in the health care profession, including the studies of medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine. Students can enroll in either a 12-month or a 24-month track. http://www.kcumb.edu/Adm2/cob_home.asp

The KCUMB College of Biosciences **Master of Arts in Bioethics** program provides students with a broad orientation to the interdisciplinary field of bioethics, including philosophical and religious ethics, as well as contributions from the social sciences and medicine. http://www.kcumb.edu/Adm2/cob_home.asp

Preparatory Programs

Post baccalaureate program: No

Summer program(s): No

International Medicine Programs: No

Facilities

- The Kesselheim Center for Clinical Competence is the first comprehensive human patient simulation center in the greater Kansas City region. By linking eight high-tech human patient simulators—four adult, two pediatric and two obstetric—with the College of Osteopathic Medicine's standardized patient program, the center significantly enhances the early clinical education of first- and second-year medical students.
- The Strickland Education Pavilion features an auditorium with a sophisticated audio-visual system, an anatomy laboratory with networked camera equipment, a library with extensive print and multimedia collections, a student fitness center, a cafeteria, faculty offices, meeting rooms and laboratories.
- Leonard Smith Hall serves as an academic resource center offering individual and small-group study rooms, a student study lounge, locker rooms and offices for Student Affairs.
- The Dybedal Center for Research is equipped for Biosafety Levels I and II research and includes more than 20,000 square feet of basic

science laboratories, a core facility, support rooms and office space. The building also houses the only adult academic clinical research center in Kansas City.

- Six new buildings have been added to the KCUMB landscape since 1996. Ongoing and planned construction projects will add a new auditorium library and student activities center over the next few years.

Residence

Many KCUMB students take advantage of the close proximity of Century Towers, located directly across the street. A former teaching hospital, Century Towers now houses 224 one- and two-bedroom apartments with amenities designed specifically for KCUMB students, including a library, 24-hour fitness facility, secure parking and abundant Internet access. The building's first three floors are occupied by offices, including the city's fire, police, dispatch and emergency-preparedness departments.

Application Information

Primary application service: AACOMAS

Earliest filing date: 6-1-2008 – Opening date of AACOMAS

Latest filing date:* 2-1-2009

*For best consideration, applicants should submit their AACOMAS application at least 4 weeks prior to this school's latest filing date.

Academic year/orientation for first-year students start date: 8-3-2009

International students (non-US citizens or temporary residents) eligible: Yes

Canadian students eligible: Yes

Permanent Residents eligible: Yes

Supplemental Application

Supplemental application required: Yes

Sent to: Screened Applicants

Supplemental Application Fee: \$50

Fee waiver available: Yes

Waiver conditions, if offered: AACOMAS waiver

Supplemental app. earliest filing date: 7-10-2008

Supplemental app. latest filing date: 4-1-2009

Supplemental Application Requirements

Supplemental application fee is waived if AACOMAS fee is waived. Three letters of evaluation: one from a premedical advisor or committee, one from a science faculty member and one from a physician (DO or MD). "Minimum Technical Standards Certification" form.

MCAT

Oldest MCAT considered: 8-1-2006

Accept September MCAT scores: Yes

Accept January 2009 MCAT scores: Considered

Additional Comments: File must be complete to consider January MCAT.

Send Letters of Recommendation by:

Virtual Evals: Yes

Interfolio: Yes

Paper: N/A

Regular Acceptance Notice

Applicants will be requested to submit necessary matriculation documents, including a deposit,

Financial Information

Tuition and Fees

Source: 2008-2009 tuition. Data subject to change.

Resident tuition:	\$39,436
Non-Resident tuition:	\$39,436
Supplemental Application fee:	\$50
Resident fees:	N/A
Non-Resident fees:	N/A
Health Insurance:	N/A

Fees Include:

Student Services	×	Technology	×
Lab	×	Microscope Rental	×
Computer		Health Service	×
Student Activities	×		

Cost to attend (minus tuition and fees): \$16,500

Average 2007 graduate indebtedness: \$170,000

Deposit

Applicants should submit necessary matriculation documents, including a deposit, according to the AACOMAS traffic guideline schedule at left.

Amount of deposit to hold place in class: \$1,000

If deposit dependent on residency status:

Deposit (resident): N/A

Deposit (non-resident): N/A

Deposit due: 12-15-2008

Additional Deposit: \$1,000.00

Matriculation Fee in March

Applied to tuition: Yes

Deposit refundable: No

Financial Aid

Enrolled students with federal financial aid: 97%

Scholarships: Yes

Average scholarship/grant: \$2,500

Premedical Coursework

Course	Req.	Rec.	Lab	Sem. Hrs.	Course	Req.	Rec.	Lab	Sem. Hrs.
Biology/Zoology	×			13	College English	×			6
Biochemistry	×			3	Behavioral Sciences				
Inorganic Chemistry	×		×	8	Humanities				
Organic Chemistry	×		×	5	Math/Statistics				
Physics	×		×	8	Genetics	×			3
Molecular Biology					Other				

according to the following AACOMAS traffic guideline schedule:

- **Those accepted prior to November 15** will have until December 14
- **Those accepted between November 15 and January 14** will have 30 days
- **Those accepted between January 15 and June 14** will have 14 days
- **Those accepted after June 15** may be asked for an immediate deposit
- **Earliest acceptance date:** 9-30-2008
- **Latest acceptance date:** Until class is filled
- **Maximum time for applicant to accept offer:** Normally 30 days
- **Requests for deferred entrance considered:** Yes

Early Decision Program (EDP)

KCUMB-COM does not have EDP for notifying candidates on early admissions.

COM Interview Format

The KCUMB interview process is open file with two members at the same time. The interview team consists of one of the following: basis science faculty, clinical science faculty, department head or alumni. Regional interviews are not available.

First-Year Class Matriculants' Selection Factors

KCUMB's College of Osteopathic Medicine attracts the best and brightest students each year. Each admitted COM student reflects the diversity of accomplishments, talents, interests and background valued by KCUMB. They also demonstrate academic excellence. A bachelor's degree and the MCAT are required for admission. The admissions team evaluates applicants on a number of criteria, ranging from academic records and test scores to commitment toward osteopathic medicine and service.

First-Year Class Matriculants' Self-Reported Race/Ethnicity:

American Indian or Alaska Native: 1%

Asian: 5%

Black or African American: 1%

Hispanic/Latino: 1%

White: 92%

First-Year Class Matriculants with:

Science Majors: 60%

Non-Science Majors: 40%

Baccalaureate degree: 93%

Graduate degree(s): 7%