

Overview of the Four-Year Curriculum

The first two years of osteopathic medical school emphasize the basic science foundation to medicine. In addition, students learn a core set of clinical examination skills and gain an understanding of the various systems of the body. The first two years of lectures, laboratories, and other learning experiences are designed to prepare the student for the last two years of medical school, which are the clinical clerkship years. Early clinical exposure is an important

part of many schools' curricula. Specific learning methods and curricular offerings vary from college to college.

Below is a *general guide* to the material covered in the osteopathic medical school curriculum. Again, this is a general guide and is not specific to any school. Please check the college to which you are applying for a specific overview of that school's curriculum.