



PHILADELPHIA COLLEGE OF
OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

Doctor of OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

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About the Program

OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE (DO) PHILADELPHIA

One of the nation's most respected osteopathic medical schools, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine brings a long, proud tradition, spanning more than 110 years, of training osteopathic physicians.

Just minutes from Center City Philadelphia, one of the country's premier cities for medical education, PCOM's Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) students join a dynamic, highly supportive academic community. Here, they learn a holistic approach to health care – treating disease in the context of the whole person, considering the interrelationships of all body systems, as well as factors such as nutrition, environment and psychology.

In the first and second years, DO students pursue an integrated curriculum that introduces both basic and clinical sciences. The use of innovative patient simulators as well as standardized patient actors provide students with experiential learning and proficiency modalities reflective of actual clinical procedure and practice. Students also spend four months in our community Healthcare Centers, where they are introduced to the realities of patient care in underserved communities.

In the third and fourth years, students hone their skills by working in some of the finest teaching hospitals in the greater Philadelphia area. They are exposed to a broad scope of medical problems, gradually assuming more responsibility under the direction of experienced physicians. Through participation in rounds, lectures, conferences, morning reports and case presentations, they develop skills in history taking, physical examination, differential diagnosis, and invasive and non-invasive procedures.

Through it all, students have the PCOM community behind them, receiving the support they need to become the competent, confident health professionals they aspire to be.

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Related Programs to Consider

- DO/MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA)
- DO/MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH)
- DO/MS MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING
- DO/MS/PhD IN HEALTH POLICY
- DO/MS FORENSIC MEDICINE
- DO/MSc (CLINICAL MASTERS)
- DO/MS IN ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT & LEADERSHIP

THIS PROGRAM OFFERED
IN: PA GA

Program HIGHLIGHTS

DOs receive extra training in osteopathic manipulative medicine (OMM) – using the hands to diagnose, treat and prevent illness or injury.

PCOM's osteopathic curriculum involves four years of academic study, with an emphasis on preventive medicine and holistic patient care, leading to the degree of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO).

Many DOs complete a residency program in a specialty area, which typically requires two to six years of additional training.

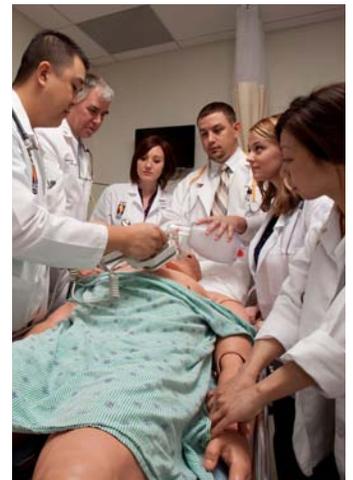
Course sections within the DO program are kept small and highly personalized, presenting plenty of opportunities for discussion and developing relationships with faculty.

As practicing clinicians and scientists, PCOM faculty are actively engaged in research, and thus bring a cutting-edge perspective to their classroom teaching.

Career Outcomes

YOUR FUTURE IN OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

- PCOM DO graduates are accepted into a variety of residencies – both osteopathic and allopathic. Fifty-five percent choose one of the primary care specialties including general practice, general internal medicine, OB/GYN and pediatrics.
- Recent graduates have also entered residency specialties that include: anesthesiology, emergency medicine, general surgery, neurological surgery, neurology, ophthalmology, orthopedic surgery, otolaryngology & facial plastic surgery, pathology, physical medicine & rehab, psychiatry, radiology-diagnostic, urological surgery, urology and more.



About PCOM THE OSTEOPATHIC DIFFERENCE

A premier osteopathic medical school, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine boasts a history that spans more than 110 years and a rich tradition of training and placing DOs in primary and specialty care.

DOs are complete physicians who, along with MDs, are licensed to prescribe medication and perform surgery in all 50 states. But DOs bring something extra to the practice of medicine. Osteopathic physicians practice a “whole person” approach to medicine, treating the entire person rather than just the symptoms. With a focus on preventive health care, DOs help patients develop attitudes and lifestyles that don’t just fight illness, but help prevent it, too.

DOs serve as primary care physicians and in a wide range of specialties. Many DOs fill a critical need for physicians by practicing in rural and other medically underserved communities.

1 IN 5

*Nearly one in five
medical students in the U.S.
is attending an
osteopathic medical school*

FAST FACTS

- PCOM is just minutes from Center City Philadelphia, one of the country’s leading cities for medical education.
- Athletic clubs and student organizations offer opportunities to develop friendships and leadership.
- Students serve in the community – from blood drives to free health screenings to medical mission trips.
- PCOM’s Activities Center features a weight room, fitness studio, racquetball courts and an NBA regulation-size basketball court.

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