A.T. Still University of Health Sciences–School of Osteopathic Medicine in Arizona (ATSU-SOMA)

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Accreditation
ATSU-SOMA is accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA). ATSU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

Institutional Affiliation
A.T. Still University also includes the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine (KCOM), the Arizona School of Health Sciences (ASHS), the College of Graduate Health Studies (CGHS), the Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health (ASDOH) and the Missouri School of Dentistry and Oral Health (MOSDOH).

2015–2016 Enrollment
Total medical school enrollment: 429
Total male: 217
Total female: 212
First-year enrollment: 108
First-year male: 55
First-year female: 53
Total enrollment affiliate institutions: 3,357

Curricular Offerings
During the first year on the Mesa, Arizona, campus, students are engaged in SOMA’s Clinical Presentation (CP) curriculum. A key component of the CP curricular model is the integration of the basic and clinical sciences which immerses students in clinical medicine early during the first year by organizing all of the medical science instruction around the most common ways patients present to physicians. From the outset, students are trained to use an inductive reasoning process to solve clinical problems. This enables SOMA students to think like physicians earlier in their medical education. Student learning is enhanced through a variety of different learning experiences, including large group presentations, small group problem-solving sessions, computerized cases, simulated patients, hands-on osteopathic skills and medical skills training.

Second, third and fourth-year students are based at one of SOMA’s 12 learning sites, typically based in Community Health Centers (CHCs). Students continue didactic and clinical learning through web-based curriculum, hands-on osteopathic manipulative medicine (OMM) training, clinician-led small group discussions, and third- and four-year clinical rotations in both CHC, office-based, and hospital-based settings.

Combined Degree Programs
SOMA students in good standing are eligible for concurrent enrollment in ATSU’s College of Graduate Health Studies Master of Public Health (MPH) program. This dual-degree program provides additional training for qualified students to become leaders in the field of Public Health. The MPH requires additional courses completed online. Applications to the MPH program are accepted toward the end of students’ first year at ATSU-SOMA. Please visit www.atsu.edu/master-of-public-health-degree for more information.

Preparatory Programs
None

Facilities
ATSU-SOMA’s campus in Mesa, Arizona, includes innovative classrooms, state-of-the-art simulation laboratories, osteopathic manipulative medicine labs with the latest imaging technology and real-time physiological measurements, digital learning resources, ultrasound imaging, a dedicated virtual anatomy lab with 3-D capabilities, and breakout rooms for group learning activities. The YMCA on campus offers free access to all students.

Application Information
Primary application service: ACOMAS
Earliest filing date: Opening date of ACOMAS
Latest filing date:* 3/1/2017
*For best consideration, applicants should submit their ACOMAS application at least four weeks prior to this school’s latest filing date.
Academic year/orientation for first-year students start date: July 2017
International students (non-U.S. citizens or temporary residents) considered: No

Supplemental Application
Supplemental application required: Yes
Sent to: Screened Applicants
Supplemental Application Fee: $70
Fee waiver available: Yes
Waiver conditions, if offered: ACOMAS waiver
Supplemental app. earliest filing date: 6/15/2016
Supplemental app. latest filing date: 4/1/2017

Supplemental Application Requirements
Minimum cumulative and science GPA of 2.80. Two letters of evaluation: one from a premedical advisor, premedical committee or a science faculty member, and one from a physician (DO or MD; DO preferred). U.S. Citizenship or Residency: ATSU-SOMA is currently accepting applications only from U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

MCAT
Oldest MCAT considered: 2013
Accept September 2016 MCAT scores: Yes
Accept January 2017 MCAT scores: Yes
Additional Comments: ATSU-SOMA will accept January scores if seats are still available.

Send Letters of Recommendation by:
Virtual Evals: Yes
Interfolio: Yes
Paper: Yes

Description
Creating a learning-centered community to educate and mentor tomorrow’s physician leaders is what drives ATSU-SOMA’s dedicated faculty, staff and administration. SOMA is looking for future physicians who are dedicated to serving those in need and who desire to be part of an innovative and exciting medical education experience. SOMA has worked closely with leaders in medical education, public health, patient care, technology, and business to develop a program that prepares students to successfully navigate the changing healthcare environment and poises them for future success.

Mission Statement
A.T. Still University of Health Sciences serves as a learning-centered university dedicated to preparing highly competent professionals through innovative academic programs, with a commitment to continue its osteopathic heritage and focus on whole person healthcare, scholarship, community health, inter-professional education, diversity and underserved populations.

Setting: Mesa, Arizona; a large metro area close to Phoenix, Arizona

Date Founded: 2006; Private
Regular Acceptance Notice
Applicants will be requested to submit necessary matriculation documents, including a deposit, 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 May 14 will have 14 days
- Those accepted on or after May 15 may be asked for an immediate deposit
- Earliest acceptance date: 9/15/2016
- Latest acceptance date: Until class is filled
- Maximum time for applicant to accept offer: Follow AACOMAS guidelines.
- Requests for deferred entrance considered: Yes

Early Decision Program (EDP)
ATSU-SOMA does not have EDP for notifying candidates on early admissions.

COM Interview Format
The interview format consists of a faculty one-on-one interview, MMI/standardized patient encounters, and small group activities.

First-Year Class Matriculants’ Selection Factors
A bachelor’s degree and the MCAT, preferably taken by the fall, but no later than January of the year of application, are required. Any undergraduate major is acceptable. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or hold a permanent resident visa. Applicants who are community service or public health minded, and who have a desire to serve the underserved and to practice in primary care settings, are highly desirable. Prospective SOMA students will be evaluated in four major areas: academic accomplishment, a preference for osteopathic medicine, personal characteristics of a healer and propensity to serve the underserved. Prospective students must exhibit a genuine concern for others. SOMA requires a personal interview during the application process. The applicant is strongly encouraged to have clinical exposure in a health care environment.

First-Year Class Matriculants’ Self-Reported Race/Ethnicity:
Percentages are based on self-reported data and therefore may not equal 100%.

Financial Information

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Fees Include:
Student Services, Technology (not computer), Lab, Microscope Rental, Computer, Health Service, Student Activities, Med. Equipment

Est. Room, Board, Books & Living Costs: $39,233/yr
Average 2014 graduate indebtedness: $252,286

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

Amount of deposit to hold place in class: $1,000
Deposit due: AACOMAS traffic guidelines
Additional Deposit: $1,000 Prematriculation fee.
Applied to tuition: Yes Deposit refundable: No

Financial Aid
Enrolled students with federal financial aid: 91%
Scholarships: Yes
Average scholarship/grant: $36,783

Premedical Coursework

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