William Carey University
College of Osteopathic Medicine (WCUCOM)

Accreditation
William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine holds full accreditation from the
Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) and is accredited by the Commission on
Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (CC-SACS).

Institutional Affiliation
WCUCOM is part of William Carey University.

2015–2016 Enrollment
Total medical school enrollment: 407
Total male: 230
Total female: 177
First-year enrollment: 108
First-year male: 57
First-year female: 51
Total enrollment affiliate institutions: 0

Curricular Offerings
WCUCOM offers an integrated curriculum that begins
with first-year foundational courses that address the
anatomic and cellular/molecular underpinnings of
the science of medicine. Courses are taught through
clinically relevant application and case-based
learning experiences while simultaneously devel-
oping skills in physical examination, doctor-patient
communication, and osteopathic principles and
practice. The second year continues with systemsbased organization of the biomedical and clinical
course content material and increased opportu-
nities for self-directed learning and self-assess-
ment. In the third and fourth years, students work
with clinical faculty at regional hub sites through-
out the Gulf South. Clerkship experiences encour-
age problem solving, teamwork and further advance-
ment in clinical skills development. Students receive
additional clinical training through use of patient simulators and standardized patient encounters.

Combined Degree Programs
None

Special Programs
• WCUCOM offers a distinctive curriculum in
primary care medicine with specialized learning
opportunities offered in several areas, including:
  – Disaster Preparedness
  – Regional Health Issues
  – Oral Health
  – International Health Care Initiatives
  – Interdisciplinary Training Opportunities
• International Medicine Programs: Yes

Preparatory Programs
Post baccalaureate program

Facilities
The medical school complex consists of four buildings
totaling 52,747 square feet, located on the WCU main
campus in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The academic
building houses two amphitheater classrooms
equipped with high-quality audio-visual integration a
state-of-the-art OPP lab, biomedical research space,
and study areas supported by a Wireless Everywhere
Print Anywhere (WEPA) kiosk. The Innovative Learning
Center contains two clinical simulator rooms, eight
standardized patient examination rooms and a
telemedicine center. The Ross Anatomy Wing houses
a state-of-the-art anatomy lab and anatomic model
room. Additional space includes meeting room facili-
ties, lounge areas and faculty/administrative offices.
WCUCOM offers clinical training at a community-based
training network representing more than 7,500 beds
in five states: Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Florida
and Louisiana. Other facility-related features include:
• Wireless campus with video streamed lectures;
• Personal response system and online learning
management system;
• Small group meeting rooms with plasma screens
and multimedia capabilities;
• Biomedical laboratory space, including micro-
scopic and cell culture facility;
• Regional hospital and clinic affiliations that afford
comprehensive clinical training opportunities;
• University fitness center, cafeteria, coffee shop
and library with access to thousands of medi-
cally related texts, articles and database search
engines.

Application Information
Primary application service: AACOMAS
Earliest filing date: Opening date of AACOMAS
Latest filing date:* 3/15/2017
*For best consideration, applicants should submit
their AACOMAS application at least four weeks
prior to this school’s latest filing date.

Academic year/orientation for first-year students
start date: 7/25/2016
International students (non-U.S. citizens or tempo-
rary residents) eligible: Yes

Supplemental Application
Supplemental application required: Yes
Sent to: Selected Applicants
URL: By Invitation Only
Supplemental Application Fee: $50
Fee waiver available: No
Waiver conditions, if offered: N/A
Supplemental app. earliest filing date: July 2016
Supplemental app. latest filing date: 4/15/2017

Supplemental Application Requirements
Two letters of recommendation from science faculty
members or a pre-medical committee. Letter from a
physician, preferably an osteopathic physician.

Description
William Carey University College of Osteopathic
Medicine (WCUCOM) is a private institution
with a smaller class size to promote an environ-
ment of individual attention with faculty and staff.
WCUCOM’s curriculum and coursework are
very similar to other osteopathic medical school
programs, except that WCUCOM provides special
emphasis in the following critical areas:
1. Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine
2. Community and Behavioral Medicine
3. Ambulatory Care
4. Rural and Community-Based Medical Practice

Mission Statement
The mission of the William Carey University College
of Osteopathic Medicine (WCUCOM) is to prepare
men and women to become osteopathic physi-
cians through an emphasis on primary care, lifelong
learning, research and scholarly activities, service,
including osteopathic clinical service, and graduate
medical education. Using a community-based
training model, the COM will educate and train
graduates who are committed to serving the health
care needs of all individuals, with special attention
directed to the medically underserved and diverse
populations of the state, region, and nation.

Setting: Hattiesburg, MS
Date Founded: 2008; Private
MCAT
Oldest MCAT considered: 3 years from date of application
Accept September 2016 MCAT scores: Yes
Accept January 2017 MCAT scores: Yes

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

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

Financial and Tuition Information

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Fees Include:
- Technology (not computer)
- Microscope Rental
- Health Service

Est. Room, Board, Books & Living Costs: $30,000/yr
Average 2014 graduate indebtedness: N/A

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

Amount of deposit to hold place in class: $3,000
Deposit due: AACOMAS traffic guidelines
Additional Deposit: N/A
Applied to tuition: Yes
Deposit refundable: No

Financial Aid
Enrolled students with federal financial aid: 98%
Scholarships: Yes
Average scholarship/grant: $19,000

Pre-Professional Coursework

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Additional Coursework:

First-Year Class Matriculants’ Selection Factors
Admissions preference is given to applicants from Mississippi and the surrounding Gulf South United States. Well-qualified applicants from other regions will be considered. William Carey University College of Osteopathic Medicine does not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, color, religion, creed, national origin, age, or disabilities in admissions or in the administration of its education policies, programs, or activities.

First-Year Class Matriculants’ Self-Reported Race/Ethnicity:
Percentages are based on self-reported data and therefore may not equal 100 percent.
- American Indian or Alaska Native: 0%
- Asian: 25%
- Black or African American: 5%
- Hispanic/Latino: 3%
- Pacific Islander: 0%
- White: 67%
- Other/No Answer: 0%

First-Year Class Matriculants with:
- Science Majors: 85%
- Non-Science Majors: 15%
- Graduate degree(s): 56.5%

First-Year Class Matriculants’ Selection Factors

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

COM Interview Format
Open file, 30 to 40 minutes, three faculty members