

# Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine (MSUCOM)

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## General Information

### Mission Statement

Preparing physicians in the science of medicine, the art of caring and the power of touch with a world view open to all people.

### COM Description

The Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine (MSUCOM) offers a friendly atmosphere combined with access to the resources of a Big 10 campus, a major metropolitan area hospital complex and a suburban campus located within a 20-mile radius of seven hospitals. Our Statewide Campus System includes more than 25 base hospitals located throughout the state of Michigan where students complete their clinical rotations.

**Campus setting:** Two suburban settings in East Lansing, MI, and Clinton Township, MI, and one urban setting in Detroit, MI.

**Year founded:** 1969

**Type:** Public, non-profit

**Accreditation:** The Michigan State University 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:** Michigan State University

### Facilities:

- The 5,200-acre East Lansing campus of Michigan State University includes gardens, museums, performing arts and sports facilities and working farms. The area hosts a wide variety of musical events and festivals, offers monthly gallery walks, and has several active community theater groups.
- The DMC site is located on the campus of the Detroit Medical Center in "midtown" Detroit, surrounded by several tertiary care hospitals and the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Center. Within two blocks you find the Detroit Public Library, Detroit Institute of Arts, three museums, and the Detroit Science Center.
- The Macomb University Center site is within a 20-mile radius of seven hospitals which offer 600 osteopathic intern and resident positions. Macomb County has 31 miles of shoreline, 130 parks, more than 35 golf courses, and numerous restaurant and shopping opportunities.

### Student residence options:

MSUCOM does not provide campus housing. However, private apartment and townhome complexes with amenities desirable to students and young professionals are conveniently located throughout the area and neighboring communities.

### 2016-2017 Enrollment

- Total medical school enrollment: 1,249
- Total male: 712
- Total female: 537
- First-year enrollment: 314
- First-year male: 176
- First-year female: 138
- First-year in-state: 266
- First-year out-of-state: 49
- Total enrollment affiliate institutions: N/A

## Curricular Offerings

Students may enroll in one of three different sites during their first two years. First year classes begin in mid-June with an intensified gross anatomy class. Our pre-clerkship program in years one and two integrates basic sciences, clinical skills and systems biology. A state-of-the-art human simulation laboratory and standardized patient assessment program provide opportunities to build clinical skills and the preceptorship program during second year provides early clinical exposure. For the Clinical Clerkship Program in years three and four, students are assigned to one of more than 22 affiliated base hospital training sites in Michigan. Clinical rotations begin July 31 of the third year. Elective courses and global health opportunities provide additional avenues to build competency and to individualize the medical education experience.

## Dual Degree / Concurrent Programs

### DO/MBA

Joint DO/MBA Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Master of Business Administration. <http://mba.broad.msu.edu/academics/dualdegrees/>

### DO/MPH

Joint DO/MPH-Joint degree in conjunction with the Michigan State University Program in Public Health. [http://www.com.msu.edu/Admissions/Dual\\_Degree\\_Programs/MPH.htm](http://www.com.msu.edu/Admissions/Dual_Degree_Programs/MPH.htm)

### DO/PhD

DO/PhD majors in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Cell and Molecular Biology, Epidemiology, Genetics, Medical Anthropology, Microbiology and Molecular Biology, Neuroscience, Pharmacology and Toxicology, Philosophy/Bioethics, Physiology and the interdepartmental program in Environmental Toxicology. Program purpose is to prepare select students for careers in biomedical research and academic medicine. [www.com.msu.edu/Admissions/Dual\\_Degree\\_Programs/DO\\_PhD.htm](http://www.com.msu.edu/Admissions/Dual_Degree_Programs/DO_PhD.htm)

## Preparatory Programs

None offered

## Special Programs

### International Medicine programs

MSUCOM collaborates with the Michigan State University Institute for International Health to formulate innovative opportunities for COM students to engage in international electives. In 2016, MSUCOM, in partnership with the MSU IIH, was the first medical program in the U.S. to provide an elective course opportunity in Cuba.

## Application Information

- **Primary application service:** AACOMAS
- **Earliest application submission date:** Opening Date of AACOMAS (5/4/2017)
- **Primary application deadline:** 12/1/2017
- **Supplemental application deadline:** 2/13/2018
- **Submission timing for best consideration:** For best consideration, applicants should submit their AACOMAS application at least five months prior to this school's latest filing date.

## Admissions Process

To be considered for admission, an applicant must:

1. Meet all the admissions requirements and technical standards for admissions. Please see [www.com.msu.edu/admissions/applying.htm](http://www.com.msu.edu/admissions/applying.htm) for a complete list of requirements.
2. Complete the primary and secondary applications.

Application evaluation is based on several criteria deemed important to the mission of the college, including, but not limited to: academic success, MCAT performance, exposure to the osteopathic profession, professional and community service experience, personal testimony, interview

performance, and letters of evaluation.

For further information, please visit: [www.com.msu.edu/Admissions/MSUCOM-Selection-Process.htm](http://www.com.msu.edu/Admissions/MSUCOM-Selection-Process.htm)

#### First-year class matriculant's selection factors:

MSUCOM looks for students who are academically accomplished, committed to service and well-versed in the philosophy of osteopathic medicine. In each area of evaluation, we examine your accomplishments within the context of your total life experience. Much like DOs approach their patients, we invite you to tell us your story. We use an aggressive rolling admission schedule. Early application is essential. Applicants must be prepared to begin classes by mid-June.

#### International students (non-U.S. citizens or temporary residents) considered:

Yes  
Michigan State University policies can be found at [oiss.isp.msu.edu](http://oiss.isp.msu.edu). Requirements for admission can be found at [www.com.msu.edu/admissions](http://www.com.msu.edu/admissions).

#### MCAT

- **Oldest MCAT considered:** 2014
- **Accept September 2017 MCAT scores:** Yes
- **Accept January 2018 MCAT scores:** No

#### Accepted Sources for Letters of Recommendation

AACOMAS  
Virtual Evals  
Interfolio

#### Interview Format

MSUCOM invites applicants for a half-day interview including an introduction to the college, multiple mini interviews, and a campus tour. Interviews begin in July and continue until mid-Spring.

#### Supplemental Application

- Supplemental application required? Yes
- Earliest supplemental application submission date: 6/15/2017
- **Supplemental application deadline:** 2/13/2018
- **Supplemental application requirements:**

Supplemental application includes short essays, non-academic information, and three letters of recommendation signed and submitted on professional letterhead. Due to rolling admission, EARLY application is essential. Recommended: Completed AACOMAS application as soon as possible; supplemental application submission by September 2017.

- **Fee waiver available:** Yes
- **Waiver conditions:** AACOMAS waiver
- **Supplemental application sent to the following prospective students:**  
All applicants
- **Supplemental application fee:** \$100, non-refundable

#### Acceptances

Applicants will be requested to submit necessary matriculation documents, including a deposit, according to the following schedule:

- **Those accepted prior to November 1** will have until December 1.
- **Those accepted between November 1 and January 12** will have 30 days.
- **Those accepted between January 13 and April 6** will have 14 days.
- **Those accepted after April 7** may be asked for an immediate deposit.
- **Maximum time for applicant to accept offer:** 4 months. Because classes begin in June our schedule is accelerated, but deadlines are often more generous than stated.
- **Earliest acceptance date:** 8/1/2017
- **Latest acceptance date:** June 2018
- **Deferred entrance requests considered:** Yes  
In rare instances, deferral requests are considered but not guaranteed.
- **Orientation / start date for first-year students:** 6/6/2018

#### Early Decision Program

- Early Decision Program (EDP) offered: No

#### First-Year Class Matriculants

#### Self-Reported Race/Ethnicity

Matriculants from the 2015-2016 application cycle.

- American Indian or Alaska Native: 0%
- Asian: 20.61%
- Black or African-American: 3.82%
- Hispanic/Latino: 2.36%
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: 0%
- White: 64.53%
- Multiple Races: 1.69%
- Undisclosed: 8.45%

#### Majors of First-Year Class Matriculants

- **Science majors:** 84%
- **Non-Science majors:** 16%
- **Graduate degree(s):** 10%



#### Premedical Coursework

Science Course	Req.	Rec.	Lab	Sem.	Hrs
Anatomy		X			
Biology/Zoology	X				8
Biochemistry	X				3
Molecular Biology					
Genetics					
Inorganic Chemistry*	X				8
Organic Chemistry*	X				8
Physiology		X			
Non-Science					
Course	Req.	Rec.	Lab	Sem.	Hrs
College English	X				6

\*Chemistry/Biochemistry-A total of 16 semester credits of chemistry are required of which a minimum of 3 semester credits must be in biochemistry.

#### Financial Information

##### Tuition and Fees

Source: 2016–2017 tuition. Note: Fees are subject to change based on university policy.

<b>Annual resident tuition:</b>	\$44,259
<b>Annual non-resident tuition:</b>	\$86,948
<b>Annual resident fees:</b>	\$78
<b>Annual non-resident fees:</b>	\$78
<b>Annual health insurance fee:</b>	\$2,683

##### Fees Include:

Student Services	X	Technology (not computer)	X
Lab	X	Other	X

**Estimated annual room, board, books and living costs:** \$29,826

**Average 2016 graduate indebtedness:** \$230,939

##### Deposit

Applicants who are notified of admission prior to November 1 are asked to respond by December 2, two weeks earlier than the AACOMAS deposit guideline of December 14.

**Amount of deposit to hold place in class:** \$1,000, non-refundable

**Additional deposit amount:** \$0

**Deposit applied to tuition:** Partially: \$ 50 - MSU

Graduate application fee \$450 - Tuition \$250 - Disability insurance \$250 - Administrative fee

##### Financial Aid

**Financial Aid Website:** [www.com.msu.edu/Students/Financial\\_Aid/Financial\\_Aid.htm](http://www.com.msu.edu/Students/Financial_Aid/Financial_Aid.htm)

**Enrolled students with federal financial aid:** 83%

**Scholarships:** Yes

**Average scholarship/grant:** \$11,478