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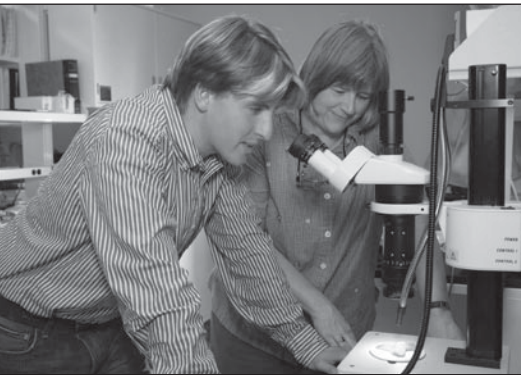
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Description

Georgia Campus-PCOM graduated its inaugural class of 78 students in May 2009. The College is dedicated to educating osteopathic medical students and serving the health care needs of the people in Georgia and the Southeast by providing a program of medical study guided by osteopathic medical tradition, concept and practice. Graduates are encouraged to remain in the South and practice among underserved populations where they will have the most impact.

Mission Statement

The primary focus of Georgia Campus-PCOM is to recruit and educate students from Georgia and the surrounding states. The Georgia Campus seeks to retain graduate osteopathic physicians, scientists and other health care professionals in the Southeast and to advance the osteopathic profession to serve the health needs of the region.

Setting: Suwanee, Georgia; Suburban

Date Founded: 2004; Private

Accreditation

Georgia Campus–Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine is accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) and by the Higher Education Commission of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, as well as the Department of Education (PA) and NPEC Georgia.

Institutional Affiliation

PCOM

2010 – 2011 Enrollment

Total medical school enrollment: 343

Total male: 165

Total female: 178

First-year enrollment: 86

First-year male: 46

First-year female: 40

Total enrollment affiliate institutions: 2,287

Curricular Offerings

An integrated systems approach provides first- and second-year students with a generalist education. “Doctors from Day One” gives students clinical exposure from the beginning of medical school, with courses in Primary Patient Skills and Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine. Georgia Campus has developed relationships with hospitals, ambulatory care sites and local practicing physicians in an effort to provide strong clinical training opportunities for students in their third and fourth years.

Combined Degree Programs

None

Special Programs

- **MS:** A one-year certificate program in biomedical sciences or a two-year program which leads to an MS in one of four concentrations.
Dates: August 2012
Tuition: \$726 per credit
Prerequisites/Academic Qualifications: Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university; all undergraduate pre-professional science requirements must be completed; commitment to a career in health professions; official scores from one of the following – MCAT, DAT, OAT or GRE. Scores older than three years will not be considered.
Program Details: The PCOM graduate program in biomedical sciences presents a broad content base in the basic biomedical sciences, with a strong emphasis on human medicine and clinical applications. Both the certificate program (one-year) and degree tracks provide coursework in the medical basic science subjects. www.pcom.edu
- **International Medicine Programs:** Medical students may include an elective international rotation in their fourth year.

Preparatory Programs

None

Facilities

The 19-acre Georgia campus is located in Gwinnett County, 35 minutes from downtown Atlanta. Its state-of-the-art facilities offer students an excellent lab for osteopathic principles and practice, a clinical learning lab with standardized and simulated patient experiences and an

information commons with extensive digital reference and textbook resources. All run on a wireless network. Instructional space also includes two large classrooms, numerous small-group teaching classrooms and a large anatomy lab. A well-equipped fitness center, individual study areas and lounge areas all help to provide a well-rounded experience for students.

Application Information

Primary application service: AACOMAS

Earliest filing date: Opening date of AACOMAS

Latest filing date: 2-1-2012

Academic year/orientation for first-year students

start date: August 2012

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

Supplemental Application

Supplemental application required: Yes

Sent to: All Applicants

URL: www.pcom.edu/General_Information/apply_now.html

Supplemental Application Fee: \$50

Fee waiver available: Yes

Waiver conditions, if offered: AACOMAS waiver

Supplemental application earliest filing date:

6-1-2011

Supplemental application latest filing date: 3-1-2012

Supplemental Application Requirements

Supplemental application and \$50 fee. Letter of evaluation from the premedical committee, pre-medical advisor or the Dean of the college granting the undergraduate degree. Individual faculty letters do not fulfill this requirement. Letter of evaluation from an osteopathic physician is strongly advised, but not required. Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) is required. Scores older than three years are not acceptable.

MCAT

Oldest MCAT considered: 2009

Accept September 2011 MCAT Scores: Yes

Accept January 2012 MCAT scores: Yes

Additional Comments: Applicants are encouraged to take the MCAT as early as possible.

Send Letters of Recommendation by

Virtual Evals: Yes

Interfolio: Yes

Paper: Yes

E-mail: Yes

Regular Acceptance Notice

Applicants will be requested to submit necessary matriculation documents, including a deposit, according to the following **AACOMAS traffic guide-line** 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 after May 15** may be asked for an immediate deposit
- **Earliest acceptance date:** 10-1-2011
- **Latest acceptance date:** Until class is filled
- **Maximum time for applicant to accept offer:** Applicants admitted during the fall have until 12-15-2011 to remit a \$250 non refundable deposit. AACOMAS traffic guidelines are followed for the remainder of the admissions cycle.
- **Requests for deferred entrance considered:** No

Early Decision Program (EDP)

GA-PCOM does not have an EDP.

COM Interview Format

Interviews begin in September, and continue until the end of March. Georgia Campus-PCOM conducts a panel interview that includes the applicant, an osteopathic physician and another member of the Admissions Committee. It is an open file interview, and generally lasts about one half hour.

First-Year Class Matriculants' Selection Factors

Admission to GA-PCOM is competitive and selective. Acceptance by the Faculty Committee on Admissions is based on the applicant's fulfillment of undergraduate course requirements, grade point average, Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) scores and a personal interview with the committee. We seek well-rounded, achievement-oriented persons whose character,



maturity and sense of dedication point to a productive career as an osteopathic physician.

The Admissions Committee is looking for applicants who bring passion, leadership, compassion and service to the field of osteopathic medicine, and have demonstrated these qualities in their background and preparation for medical school.

PCOM prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, race, gender, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, religion, creed, disability, marital status or any other legally protected status. The policy applies in recruitment and admission of students, employment of faculty and staff, as well as scholarship and loan programs. This policy is also followed in the operation of all other programs, activities and services of the college.

First-Year Class Matriculants' Self-Reported Race/Ethnicity:

Percentages are based on self-reported data and therefore may not equal 100%.

American Indian or Alaska Native: 0%

Asian: 25%

Black or African American: 9%

Hispanic/Latino: 2%

White: 53%

Pacific Islander: 1%

Other/No Answer: 8%

First-Year Class Matriculants with:

Science Majors: 79%

Non-Science Majors: 21%

Graduate degree(s): 41%

Financial Information

Tuition and Fees

Source: 2010-2011 tuition. Data subject to change.

Resident tuition:	\$40,032
Non-Resident tuition:	\$40,032
Supplemental Application fee:	\$50
Resident fees:	\$600
Non-Resident fees:	\$600
Health Insurance:	\$2,900

Fees Include:

Student Services	×	Technology	×
Lab	×	Microscope Rental	
Computer		Health Service	
Student Activities	×		

Est. Room, Board, Books & Living Costs: \$21,655/ year

Average 2010 graduate indebtedness: \$174.628

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: \$250

Deposit due: AACOMAS traffic guidelines

Additional Deposit: \$2,000

Second non-refundable deposit is due by 4-15-2012.

Applied to tuition: Yes

Deposit refundable: No

Financial Aid

Enrolled students with federal financial aid: 88%

Scholarships: Yes

Average scholarship/grant: \$3,376

Premedical Coursework

Science Course	Req.	Rec.	Lab	Sem. Hrs
Biology/Zoology	X		X	8
Biochemistry		X	X	
Molecular Biology				
Genetics		X		
Inorganic Chemistry	X		X	8
Organic Chemistry	X			8
Physics	X		X	8
Non-Science Course	Req.	Rec.	Lab	Sem. Hrs
College English	X			6
Behavioral Sciences		X		
Humanities		X		
Math/Statistics		X		
Other				

Additional Coursework: Georgia PCOM requires 3 credits of English Composition and 3 credits of English Literature. Biochemistry is not required, but strongly recommended.