

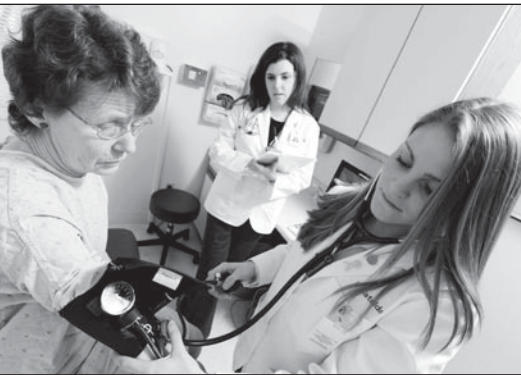
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Description

The University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNECOM) is committed to serving the people of New England through an emphasis on educating primary care physicians. UNECOM offers academic excellence, a supportive learning environment and a beautiful ocean-side campus. Centers of Excellence include Neuroscience, and Community and Public Health. The College has been recognized for excellence in primary care, osteopathic manipulative medicine, and geriatric education.

Mission Statement

The University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine transforms students into health care leaders who advance **patient-centered**, high-quality osteopathic primary care, research and community health for the people of Maine, New England, and the nation.

Setting: Biddeford, Maine; Rural, Oceanside

Date Founded: 1978; Private

Accreditation

The University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNECOM) is accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) and by the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

Institutional Affiliation

The College of Osteopathic Medicine is one of five colleges at the University of New England.

The College of Pharmacy and College of Graduate Studies recently joined UNE's College of Osteopathic Medicine, College of Health Professions and College of Arts and Sciences. In 2012 the existing colleges will be joined by a College of Dentistry.

2010-2011 Enrollment

Total medical school enrollment: 508

Total male: 227

Total female: 281

First-year enrollment: 124

First-year male: 48

First-year female: 76

Total enrollment affiliate institutions: 5,168

Curricular Offerings

The UNECOM curriculum focuses on three areas of excellence: primary care, osteopathic principles and practices and geriatrics. The approach is one of progressive acquisition of knowledge, attitude and skills throughout the four years.

The Patient First curriculum begins with a focus on a solid preparation in the basic sciences and an exposure to the physician-patient relationship through early clinical experiences. A cadre of practicing clinicians and basic scientists who bring the real world into the classroom teach the systems-based modules of the second-year curriculum. Clinical skills are enhanced from the beginning with community placements and practice with simulated patients.

The third year is devoted to core clerkships in internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics, surgery, psychiatry, obstetrics and community health at clinical campuses in the Northeast. Students are involved in patient care and didactic sessions in ambulatory, hospital and rural settings. The third year concludes with a student colloquium. Year four requires clerkships in osteopathic manipulative treatment, emergency medicine, surgery and internal medicine while providing an opportunity for 18 weeks of electives throughout the United States and overseas.

Combined Degree Programs

Baccalaureate/DO – Three plus four articulation agreements with select colleges allow qualified candidates to apply during their junior year and begin osteopathic medical studies in what would traditionally be their senior year. Conditional acceptances may be offered pending completion of the MCAT and all academic requirements. Acceptance into the undergraduate college and pursuing the three plus four tract does not guarantee acceptance into UNECOM. <http://www.une.edu/com/admissions>

DO/MPH – UNECOM students can earn their Master of Public Health (MPH) degree with most of the courses offered online. The MPH curriculum also includes a workplace-based practicum and a summer intensive workshop. The 46-credit hour curriculum is designed to enhance students' skills in a variety of professional areas including analysis, communication, program development and planning, financial

management, policy, ethics and law. <http://www.une.edu/publichealth>

Additional Programs – Distance courses in Medical Biochemistry, Medical General Chemistry I and II, Organic Chemistry I and II, Medical Biology, Microbiology for Health Professions, Medical Physiology, and Introductory Statistics for Health Professions. Additional courses are in development. Courses can be used to meet prerequisites. <http://www.une.edu/com/online>

Post-baccalaureate articulation agreements with select universities allow qualified candidates to apply during their post-bac program prior to completion of prerequisite courses and the MCAT. Conditional acceptances may be offered pending the successful completion of the MCAT, all academic requirements and positive recommendation from post-baccalaureate program. <http://www.une.edu/com/admissions>

Special Programs

- Master of Public Health and Graduate Certificate in Public Health dual-degree opportunities
- Anatomy/Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Undergraduate Fellowship
- Dean's Research Fellowship
- Distance courses in Medical Biochemistry, Medical General Chemistry I and II, Organic Chemistry I and II, Medical Biology and Microbiology for Health Professions to meet prerequisites.
- **International Medicine Programs:** No

Preparatory Programs

None

Facilities

- The Jack S. Ketchum Library, Biddeford Campus, and Josephine S. Abplanalp '45 Library, Portland Campus, are open Sunday 10 a.m. - Friday 9 p.m.: open continuously, 24 hours/day. Saturday: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
- Outstanding gross anatomy and osteopathic manipulative medicine laboratories in the Harold Alford Center for Health Sciences. Students have 24-hour access to classrooms and labs, and the entire building supports wireless connectivity.
- Clinical Performance Center for work with standardized patients and patient simulators.
- Expanding basic science research capacity in the Pickus Center for Biomedical Research.
- University Campus Center includes fitness center, racquetball court, gym, indoor track and pool, with an extensive intramurals program.
- Campus is in a beautiful location where the Saco River meets the Atlantic Ocean.

Application Information

Primary application service: AACOMAS

Earliest filing date: Opening date of AACOMAS

Latest filing date:* 2-1-2012

*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: Early August 2012

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

Supplemental Application

Supplemental application required: Yes

Sent to: Screened Applicants

Supplemental Application Fee: \$55

Fee waiver available: Yes

Waiver conditions, if offered: AACOMAS waiver

Supplemental app. earliest filing date: 6-1-2011

Supplemental app. latest filing date: 3-15-2012

Supplemental Application Requirements

MCAT no older than two years at time of application. Online supplemental application with short answer/essay questions. Strong health care experience, leadership involvement and community service/volunteerism. Letter of recommendation from pre-health committee, pre-health advisor or two faculty members. Letter of recommendation from another non-academic professional. Letter of recommendation from an osteopathic physician is strongly recommended. Criminal background check after acceptance and prior to matriculation.

MCAT

Oldest MCAT considered: 2009

Accept September 2011 MCAT Scores: Yes

Accept January 2012 MCAT scores: Considered

Additional Comments: While the January 2012 MCAT will be accepted, applicants should know that a supplemental application will not be offered without an MCAT score.

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
- **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:** September 2011
- **Latest acceptance date:** August 2012
- **Maximum time for applicant to accept offer:** AACOM traffic guidelines.
- **Requests for deferred entrance considered:** No

Early Decision Program (EDP)

UNECOM does not have EDP for notifying candidates on early admissions.

COM Interview Format

Open file interview with one or more faculty members, clinicians or administrators. Candidates are scheduled for one 30-40 minute interview as part of a half-day of on-campus activities.

First-Year Class Matriculants' Selection Factors

Academic requirements include a minimum of 90 semester hours or 75 percent credit toward a baccalaureate degree from a college or university accredited by the U.S. Department of Education. Successful completion of the MCAT is required prior to prospective students being offered a supplemental application. Prospective students are encouraged to strengthen their command of the sciences through additional courses in anatomy,

calculus, chemistry, genetics, microbiology and/or physiology as well as coursework in arts and letters, communication, humanities and social sciences.

Applicants are evaluated on their demonstration of scholastic abilities; exposure to and experience in health care and human services; leadership, community service and/or research experience; interest in practicing primary care, practicing in New England and/or working in underserved communities; and the maturity and desire to work collaboratively with classmates, faculty, health care providers and patients. An understanding of the unique philosophy and practice of osteopathic medicine is critical. Personality and the ability to establish rapport and trust with classmates, colleagues and future patients; sense of responsibility; and maturity are important. UNECOM does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, religion, age, veteran status or disabling conditions.

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: 8%

Black or African American: 2%

Hispanic/Latino: 2%

White: 81%

Pacific Islander: 0%

Other/No Answer: 11%

First-Year Class Matriculants with:

Science Majors: 73%

Non-Science Majors: 27%

Graduate degree(s): 16%

Financial Information

Tuition and Fees

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

Resident tuition:	\$44,900
Non-Resident tuition:	\$44,900
Supplemental Application fee:	\$55
Resident fees:	\$665
Non-Resident fees:	\$665
Health Insurance:	\$2,961

Fees Include:

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

Est. Room, Board, Books & Living Costs: \$21,500/year

Average 2010 graduate indebtedness: \$213,441

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: \$500

Deposit due: AACOMAS traffic guidelines

Additional Deposit: \$1,500

Second deposit/first tuition installment is due 60 days from receipt of first deposit.

Applied to tuition: Yes

Deposit refundable: Yes

Refundable by: 6-1-2012 (\$1,500 additional deposit; \$500 initial deposit is non-refundable)

Financial Aid

Enrolled students with federal financial aid: 86.9%

Scholarships: Yes

Average scholarship/grant: \$26,240

Premedical Coursework

Science Course	Req.	Rec.	Lab	Sem. Hrs
Biology/Zoology	X		X	8
Biochemistry	X			3
Molecular Biology		X		
Genetics		X		
Inorganic Chemistry	X		X	8
Organic Chemistry	X		X	4
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				