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Description

The continuing demand for new primary care physicians and the rapid growth of Florida led LECOM to open a branch campus between Bradenton and Sarasota. LECOM Bradenton offers an innovative, problem-based learning curriculum for the first two years. LECOM Bradenton is committed to training physicians to meet the medical needs of the growing and aging population in Florida and surrounding states.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine and School of Pharmacy is to prepare students to become osteopathic physicians and pharmacy practitioners through programs of excellence in education, research, clinical care and community service in order to enhance the quality of life through improved health for all humanity.

Setting: Bradenton, Florida; Urban

Date Founded: 2004; Private

Accreditation

Branch Campus. Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine is accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) and by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

Institutional Affiliation

LECOM

2008-2009 Enrollment

Total medical school enrollment: 632

Total male: 326

Total female: 306

First-year enrollment: 159

First-year male: 82

First-year female: 77

Total enrollment affiliate institutions: 1,605

Curricular Offerings

LECOM Bradenton provides preclinical curriculum with the Problem-Based Learning Pathway (PBL). The small-group approach to medical education offers students the opportunity to learn basic and clinical science by following medical cases of patients.

Combined Degree Programs

Baccalaureate/DO: Yes

LECOM Bradenton offers 3 + 4 and 4 + 4 affiliation agreements with select undergraduate colleges and universities. Visit the LECOM website for a listing of colleges and universities and details about the various programs.

<http://www.lecom.edu>

DO/MA: No

DO/MS: No

DO/MPH: Yes

LECOM Bradenton offers a special joint degree program in affiliation with the University of South Florida, leading to the DO/MPH degree.

DO/MBA: No

DO/JD: No

DO/PhD: No

Special Programs

- Hospitals and clinics in 10 states provide clinical training in the third and fourth year.
- Opportunities exist for student mentoring and other community service.
- Master of Public Health special joint degree program with the University of South Florida.
- Master of Science in Medical Education trains physician educators.
- **International Medicine Programs:** International clinical externships and rotations.

Preparatory Programs

Post baccalaureate program: Yes

Dates: 9-8-2010

Tuition: \$13,000

Application Deadline: 8-1-2010

Prerequisites/Academic Qualifications: Undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited college/university.

The LECOM Health Sciences Post-baccalaureate Program is offered on the Erie Campus and offers coursework designed to enhance the credentials of students interested in applying to the Bradenton Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Program.

Summer program(s): No

Facilities

- The campus is located in Lakewood Ranch, a master-planned community that is one of the fastest growing regions of the country. The College designed a building where each and every detail lends itself to the mission of teaching students how to care for patients.
- Two lecture halls use smart classroom technology and each has 210 seats. The 24 smaller classrooms provide ideal environments for the small-group, Problem-Based Learning meetings. A multipurpose lab offers state-of-the-art teaching equipment for anatomy and basic science study.

Residence

LECOM Bradenton does not offer residences or housing for students. LECOM Bradenton assists students in securing appropriate housing within a close commute to campus.

Application Information

Primary application service: AACOMAS

Earliest filing date: 6-1-2009 - Opening date of AACOMAS

Latest filing date:* 4-1-2010

*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: 7-26-2010

International students (non-US citizens or temporary residents) eligible: Yes

Supplemental Application

Supplemental application required: Yes

Sent to: All Applicants

URL: www.lecom.edu

Supplemental Application Fee: \$50

Fee waiver available: No

Supplemental app. earliest filing date: 6-1-2009

Supplemental app. latest filing date: 4-1-2010



Supplemental Application Requirements

Undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited college or university. Competitive applicants typically have a cumulative GPA of 3.4 or above; MCAT Medical College Admissions Test is required. MCAT scores older than three years are not accepted. Online supplemental application and \$50 fee. Letters of recommendation from a premedical or prehealth committee, or two letters from science professors. Letter of recommendation from a non-related osteopathic physician.

MCAT

Oldest MCAT considered: No older than 3 years

Accept September MCAT scores: Yes

Accept January 2010 MCAT scores: Yes

Additional Comments: Competitive applicants typically have an MCAT score of 25 or above.

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 June 14** will have 14 days
- **Those accepted after June 15** may be asked for an immediate deposit
- **Earliest acceptance date:** 8-1-2009
- **Latest acceptance date:** 7-25-2010; Until class is filled
- **Maximum time for applicant to accept offer:** Follow AACOMAS traffic guidelines
- **Requests for deferred entrance considered:** No

Early Decision Program (EDP)

LECOM Bradenton does not have EDP for notifying candidates on early admissions.

COM Interview Format

LECOM Bradenton uses a rolling admissions cycle and schedules applicant interviews October through April of the application year. Applicants are invited to campus for individual interviews held with basic science faculty, clinical faculty and/or administrators. Applicants receive information on the Problem-Based Learning curriculum, financial aid resources and procedures, research opportunities, clinical rotation sites and internship/residency programs affiliated with LECOM. Applicants receive a tour of the facility and meet with current 1st and 2nd year students.

First-Year Class Matriculants' Selection Factors

LECOM seeks candidates who exemplify the LECOM mission to prepare students to become competent osteopathic physicians who partner with their patients on the pathway to health and well-being. Applicants should not only demonstrate success in their science courses, but also have proven themselves as well-rounded individuals who have been successful overall in their academic careers. Successful candidates typically have both science and overall grade point averages of 3.4 or above. LECOM recommends that prospective students consider taking advanced coursework, such as biochemistry, physiology, microbiology and/or anatomy. LECOM is also looking for students who meet the ethical and professional standards that the public expects of high-quality health care professionals.

LECOM encourages applicants to learn more about the profession by getting to know an osteopathic physician. Receiving exposure to the osteopathic profession will enhance awareness of osteopathic medical philosophy. Working with a physician will prepare the applicant for the required admissions interview.

International students (non-U.S. citizens or temporary residents) will be considered for admission on an individual basis. Applicants are encouraged to submit their application materials early to ensure consideration for an interview.

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

American Indian or Alaska Native: 1%

Asian: 19%

Black or African American: 1%

Hispanic/Latino: 6%

White: 72%

Pacific Islander: 1%

First-Year Class Matriculants with:

Science Majors: 79%

Non-Science Majors: 21%

Baccalaureate degree: 89%

Graduate degree(s): 11%

Premedical Coursework

| Science Course | Req. | Rec. | Lab | Sem. Hrs |
|---------------------|------|------|-----|----------|
| Biology/Zoology | X | | X | 8 |
| Biochemistry | | X | | 3 |
| Molecular Biology | | X | | 3 |
| Genetics | | X | | 3 |
| Inorganic Chemistry | X | | X | 8 |
| Organic Chemistry | X | | X | 8 |
| Physics | X | | X | 8 |
| Non-Science Course | Req. | Rec. | Lab | Sem. Hrs |
| College English | X | | | 6 |
| Behavioral Sciences | X | | | 6 |
| Humanities | | X | | 6 |
| Math/Statistics | | X | | 3 |
| Other | | X | | |

Additional Coursework: Molecular Biology, Cell Biology may be substituted for biology; humanities may be substituted for College English. Applicants must earn an equivalent of 75 percent of the credits required for a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

Financial Information

Tuition and Fees

Source: 2008-2009 tuition. Data subject to change.

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| Resident tuition: | \$25,900 |
| Non-Resident tuition: | \$27,500 |
| Supplemental Application fee: | \$50 |
| Resident fees: | \$900 |
| Non-Resident fees: | \$900 |
| Health Insurance: | \$2,016 |

Fees Include:

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

Estimated Room, Board and Living Expenses: \$24,374

Average 2007 graduate indebtedness: N/A

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: \$1,500

If deposit dependent on residency status:

Deposit (resident): N/A

Deposit (non-resident): N/A

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: \$1,500