

# OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE FAST FACTS

Doctors of osteopathic medicine, or DOs, are physicians who practice in all areas of medicine. Emphasizing a whole-person approach to treatment and care. DOs are trained to listen and partner with their patients to help them get healthy and stay well.



**23,000+**

OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL SCHOOL APPLICANTS A YEAR



**1-IN-4**

MEDICAL STUDENTS IN THE U.S. ATTEND A COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE



**9**

AVERAGE NUMBER OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL COLLEGES APPLICANTS APPLY TO

## 2025 BY THE NUMBERS:

**197,398**

DOS AND OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL STUDENTS IN THE US

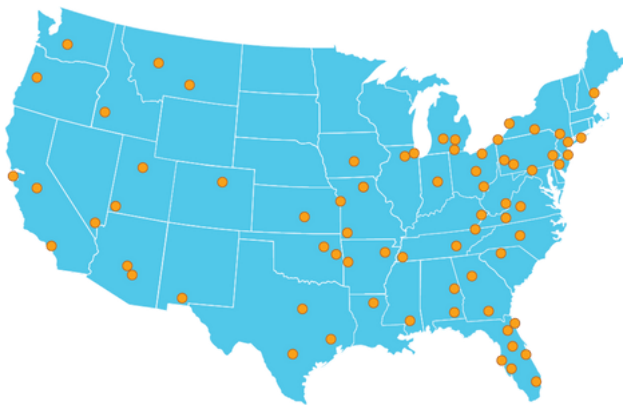
**157,456**

DOS IN THE US

**39,942**

OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL STUDENTS

Source: American Osteopathic Association OMP Report



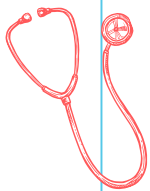
## WE HAVE A COLLEGE FOR YOUR STUDENTS:

**44** COLLEGES OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

**71** TEACHING LOCATIONS

**36** STATES

## CAREER OPTIONS FOR DOS:



**57%**

Practice in primary care specialties including :

- family medicine
- internal medicine
- pediatrics

**43%**

Practice in non-primary care specialties like:

- emergency medicine
- anesthesiology
- obstetrics & gynecology
- general surgery
- psychiatry



Other career pathways include:

- medical research
- clinical education
- health policy
- hospital administration



# 2024 ENTERING CLASS PROFILE

Mean MCAT Scores	
Psychological, Social & Bio	126.80
Bio & Biochemical	125.78
Chemical & Physical	125.41
Critical Analysis & Reasoning	124.99
<b>TOTAL MCAT</b>	<b>502.97</b>

Mean GPA	
Science	3.52
Non-Science	3.71
<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>3.60</b>



## 2025-26 AACOMAS APPLICATION CYCLE

- College deadlines range from September through June
- Admissions decisions are made on a rolling basis



## KEY UPDATES

### FOR THE 2025-26 AACOMAS APPLICATION CYCLE

#### [Update on Professional Transcript Entry \(PTE\) Service](#)

As a reminder, the Professional Transcript Entry (PTE) service—offered through AACOMAS, the centralized application service for osteopathic medical schools—remains available for applicants who prefer assistance entering their coursework.

Please note the following fee structure for PTE:

- 1–3 transcripts: \$85
- 4–6 transcripts: \$110
- 7 or more transcripts: \$160

These fees are non-refundable and apply only to coursework entry. They are in addition to standard application fees. Fee waivers and coupon codes do not apply to PTE, and payments cannot be transferred between application cycles (e.g., for re-applicants or those applying in multiple cycles).