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**General Information**

**Mission Statement**
AZCOM's mission is to meet the contemporary societal need for physicians by emphasizing educational experiences needed to serve all communities. The curriculum provides an innovative academic foundation, incorporating the philosophy of osteopathic principles and practices, striving to be fully integrated throughout the basic and clinical sciences, while promoting faculty development and research.

**Description**
AZCOM students spend their first two years completing a rigorous basic science curriculum and preparing for their clinical studies, including early clinical contact experiences. During their third and fourth years, students rotate through a variety of clinical training sites, accruing an impressive 88 weeks of direct patient care experience. By stimulating intellectual curiosity and teaching problem-solving skills, the AZCOM curriculum encourages students to regard learning as a lifelong process.

**Campus setting:** The campus is located in the suburban city of Glendale, 15 miles northwest of Phoenix.

**Year founded:** 1995  
**Type:** Private, non-profit

**Accreditation:** The Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine is accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA)/Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA). COCA is recognized as the accrediting agency for colleges of osteopathic medicine by the United States Department of Education and the Council of Postsecondary Accreditation (COPA). AZCOM is currently accredited through 2021.

**Institutional affiliation:** Midwestern University

**Facilities:** The 145-acre Glendale Campus boasts a scenic location with the following facilities:
- **Sahuaro Hall** features lecture halls, conference rooms, and laboratories, as well as a comprehensive library with computer resources and study rooms.
- **Cholla Hall** includes two lecture auditoria, modern laboratories, multi-use classrooms, and a computer workshop.
- **The Barrell Student Center** features a 24-hour study lounge, student dining hall, a weight room, and administrative offices.
- **The Midwestern University Clinic** provides on-campus practice opportunities for faculty and rotation experiences for students; the multispecialty clinics include osteopathic manipulative medicine, family medicine, podiatric medicine, optometry, pharmacist consulting services, and companion animal clinic.
- **The Foothills Science Center** provides advanced laboratory space.
- **Agave Hall** features classrooms, the OMM and gross anatomy laboratories, and faculty offices.
- **Glendale Hall** is the administrative home of several academic programs, including AZCOM. The building includes classrooms, labs, faculty offices, and a testing center.
- **The Auditorium** features a 2,500-seat theater for campus events and ceremonies, which can also be divided into five lecture halls.
- **Cactus Wren Hall** features classrooms, faculty offices, a veterinary anatomy lab, and other laboratory space.
- **The Interfaith Chapel** is a place of reflection and quiet gatherings for students of all religious backgrounds.
- **The Student Apartment Complex** consists of studio, one- and two-bedroom apartments that feature ample study and living space; kitchen with range, oven and refrigerator; Internet wiring; and cable television. The complex also has a swimming pool, volleyball court, sand play area, and picnic and barbecue areas for residents and their guests.
- **The Recreation and Wellness Center** contains rooms for dance/aerobics, weight training, music, crafts, racquet ball, as well as volleyball and basketball in a full sized gymnasium. There are also outdoor basketball courts and sand volleyball courts.

**Student residence options:** On-campus housing or local apartments surrounding campus.

**Curricular Offerings**
Rigorous basic science courses with an emphasis on case discussions, clinical correlates and problem-based learning. Top clinical rotations at major teaching hospitals and ambulatory facilities throughout the Phoenix metropolitan area and in suburban and rural locations throughout Arizona and the Southwest.

**Dual Degree / Concurrent Programs**
None offered

**Preparatory Programs**
Master of Arts in Biomedical Sciences

**Special Programs**
International Medicine Programs
AZCOM and DOCARE medical mission to Guatemala for two weeks every year. Fourth-year AZCOM students are eligible to participate.

**Application Information**

**Primary application service:** AACOMAS
**Earliest application submission date:** Opening Date of AACOMAS (5/4/2017)
**Primary application deadline:** 1/1/2018
**Supplemental application deadline:** 3/1/2018

**Submission timing for best consideration:** For best consideration, applicants should submit their AACOMAS application at least four weeks prior to this school’s latest filing date.

**Admissions Process**
The Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine considers for admission those students who possess the academic, professional, and personal qualities necessary to become exemplary osteopathic physicians. To select these students, the College uses a rolling admissions process within a competitive admissions framework.
First-Year Class Matriculants’ Selection Factors:
To be considered for an on-campus interview, applicants must meet all of the admissions requirements listed previously. After the Office of admissions receives all of the required application materials, the applicant’s file is reviewed to determine if the applicant merits an invitation to interview, based on established criteria of the Admissions Committee. Applicants who are invited to interview will be contacted by the Office of Admissions and instructed on how to schedule their interview via our web-based scheduling system. Additional applicants may be placed on an interview “Waiting List” pending possible interview openings toward the end of the interview cycle.

The on-campus interview process typically begins in August and ends in April.

International students (non-U.S. citizens/temporary residents) considered: Yes
Non-US Citizens must complete a minimum of 30 semester hours of coursework from a regionally accredited college or university in the United States, or from a recognized post secondary Canadian institution that uses English as its primary language of instruction and documentation. Of the 30 semester hours, 15 hours must be in the sciences, six hours in non-remedial English composition, and three hours in speech/public speaking.

MCAT
• Oldest MCAT considered: August 2015
• Accept September 2017 MCAT scores? Yes
• Accept January 2018 MCAT scores? Yes

Accepted Sources of Letters of Recommendation
• ACOMAS
• Virtual Evals
• Interfolio
• Paper

Interview Format
Panel Interview - three interviewers to one interviewee

Supplemental Application
• Supplemental application required? Yes
• Earliest supplemental application submission date: 6/1/2017
• Supplemental application deadline: 3/1/2018
• Supplemental application requirements:
  Minimum science and total GPA of 2.75.
  Supplemental application: Two letters of recommendation; one must be from a physician, strongly recommend a DO, or an MD, and the other must be from a pre-medical advisory committee or science faculty member who has taught the applicant.
• Fee waiver available: Yes
• Waiver conditions: ACOMAS waiver
• Supplemental application sent to the following prospective students: Screened applicants: Science and overall GPA’s 2.75 and above
• Supplemental application fee: $50, non-refundable

Acceptances
Applicants will be requested to submit necessary matriculation documents, including a deposit, according to the following ACOMAS 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: 9/1/2017
• Latest acceptance date: May; until class is filled
• Deferred entrance requests considered? Yes
• Orientation / start date for first-year students: 7/23/2018

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Financial Information

Tuition and Fees
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Fees Include:
- Student Services

Est. Room, Board, Books & Living Costs: $27,522
Average 2016 graduate indebtedness: $296,272

Deposit
See ACOMAS traffic guideline schedule.

Amount of deposit to hold place in class: $1,000
Additional deposit amount: $0
Deposit applied to tuition: Yes
Deposit refundable? Partially. $100 refunded if withdrawn at least two weeks prior to orientation

Financial Aid
Financial aid website: www.midwestern.edu/programs_and_admission/student_financial_services.html
Percent of enrolled students with federal financial aid: 95%
Does your COM offer scholarships? Yes
Average annual scholarship/grant per student: $6,528

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: 29.2%
• Black or African-American: 0.4%
• Hispanic/Latino: 6.4%
• Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: 0.4%
• White: 52.8%
• Multiple Races: 4%
• Undisclosed: 6.8%

Majors - First-Year Class Matriculants
• Science majors: 53%
• Non-science majors: 16%
• Graduate degree(s): 31%