general information

mission statement
preamble: the mission of the university of the incarnate word school of osteopathic medicine flows from the mission of the university and the founding call of the sisters of charity of the incarnate word to extend the healing ministry of jesus christ.

uiwsom's mission is to empower all members of the medical education community to achieve academic, professional and personal success and develop a commitment to lifelong learning through excellence in learner-centered, patient-focused education, justice-based research, and meaningful partnerships of osteopathic clinical service across the spectrum of undergraduate, graduate and continuing medical education. the development and application of osteopathic principles of medicine across four years of physician training will promote culturally, linguistically, and community responsive care for all patients to enhance patient safety and improve patient outcomes.

com description
continuing the osteopathic medicine tradition of bringing health care to where it is needed most, uiwsom provides a learner-centered, case-based learning environment empowering both students and faculty to recognize and address the medical needs of underserved populations, specifically those in south texas. with a focus on primary care, uiwsom physicians will be well prepared for the ethical, compassionate and altruistic practice of medicine. our aim is to ensure quality, equity, relevance and effectiveness in health care delivery.

Campus setting: UIWSOM is located in San Antonio, the country's seventh largest city, one which enjoys vibrant cultural diversity, reasonable cost of living, and a growing health care industry. San Antonio is referred to as “Military City, USA” and is home to Ft. Sam Houston Army Base, Lackland Air Force Base, Randolph Air Force Base, and San Antonio Military Medical Center, the largest inpatient medical facility in the Department of Defense.

The UIWSOM campus is located at Brooks, home of the former Air Force Aerospace Medical School. This former military base is rich in history. It is where the MRI was invented, radial keratotomy perfected, first animals that traveled to space resided, the moon rocks were stored, and much more.

As his last official act as president, John F. Kennedy commissioned the former base the day before his assassination, November 21, 1963. While the JFK legacy continues to be honored and with its roots grounded in medical innovation and vision, the Brooks location provides the perfect environment for medical education in South San Antonio.

Year founded: 2015
Type: Private, non-profit

Accreditation: As a newer school, UIWSOM currently holds pre-accreditation status by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA). Full accreditation can only be earned immediately before a school graduates its first class. This program has been approved by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).

institutional affiliation: University of the Incarnate Word: www.uiw.edu

Facilities:
The 155,000-square-foot renovated campus includes four independent buildings housing administrative services, student services, and library. Other features of the UIWSOM campus include:

• State-of-the-art anatomy lab with full functioning dissection suite and individual student stations with independent computer access
• Anatomage table (virtual anatomy)
• Small group collaboration rooms
• Osteopathic clinical skills learning studio
• Experiential learning center housing simulation labs and 12 standardized patient exam rooms

Student residence options:
The UIWSOM does not have on-campus housing. However, please see our website link below for full resources of housing options within five miles or less of Brooks City Base. www.uiw.edu/som/about/sanantonio/apartments.html

Curricular Offerings
The UIWSOM curriculum is integrated and designed to support students in their acquisition of knowledge, skills and competencies expected at each level of training, and to culminate with entry into graduate medical education programs with the competencies required of an entering PGY1 resident.

The integrated curriculum components and threads support the UIWSOM mission promoting the principles and practices of osteopathic primary care, social accountability, and community service. The UIWSOM curriculum is divided into four phases which are similar to years. It is further organized by units. In the first unit of phase 1, students will learn the basic clinical skills of an EMT, which will enable them to contextualize biomedical sciences in an authentic patient care setting. Interactive learner-centered techniques in a variety of settings will allow students to understand and apply acquired knowledge and skills.

Several threads weave throughout all four phases of the curriculum and include Mental Health and Wellness, Spirituality, Social Accountability, Service and Scholarship, Student Success, Mentoring and Advising, Board Preparation, and Evidence-based Medicine.

Dual Degree / Concurrent Programs
None offered

Preparatory Programs
Master of Biomedical Sciences program
UIWSOM offers a Master in Biomedical Sciences program. This one-year program is designed to enhance scientific knowledge and professional preparation for students seeking to attend medical school or other health professions training. Additional information can be found at www.uiw.edu/mbs/.

Special Programs
UIWSOM Direct Admit Program
UIW and UIWSOM offer a direct admit program for highly qualified high school students. Additional information can be found at www.uiw.edu/healthprofessions/.
Application Information

- Primary application service: AACOMAS
- Earliest application submission date: Opening Date of AACOMAS (5/3/2018)
- Primary application deadline: 3/15/2019
- Supplemental application deadline: 4/15/2019
- Submission timing for best consideration: Please apply in a timely manner due to our rolling admissions process. See our website for full information: www.uiw.edu/som/admissions/admissionscycle.html. Additionally, please review the AACOMAS instructions to determine the approximate time it takes to process and verify your AACOMAS application.

Admissions Process

The Office of Admission reviews and screens all AACOMAS applications completed prior to the deadline. Qualified candidates are then invited to complete a supplemental application. Competitive applicants will be invited to campus to participate in multiple mini-interviews.

First-year class matriculants' selection factors: UIWSOM seeks to attract qualified applicants who demonstrate a commitment to serving the needs of underserved communities, particularly those in South Texas, through primary care practice. As part of a holistic review process, the UIWSOM admissions committee will consider the following:
- Motivation, dedication, and passion for the osteopathic medical profession
- Commitment to social accountability and alignment with UIW mission
- Academic achievement and scholarship
- Life experience

International students (non-U.S. citizens or temporary residents) considered: No

MCAT
- Oldest MCAT considered: July 2016
- Accept September 2018 MCAT scores: Yes
- Accept January 2019 MCAT scores: Yes

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Accepted Sources for Letters of Recommendation
- AACOMAS
- Virtual Evals
- Interfolio
- Email

Interview Format
UIWSOM follows the multiple-mini interview model. On-campus interviews are scheduled on a continuous basis beginning in September.

Supplemental Application
- Supplemental application required? Yes
- Earliest supplemental application submission date: 7/1/2018
- Supplemental application deadline: 4/15/2019
- Supplemental application requirements:
  Three letters of recommendation: One from a physician (preferably DO), one from a premed advisor or health professions admissions committee (HPAC), and one from a science faculty member. Non-traditional students can substitute one faculty or HPAC letter with a more recent reference (employer, volunteer/community service supervisor, etc.)
- Fee waiver available: Yes
- Waiver conditions: AACOMAS waiver accepted
- Supplemental application sent to the following prospective students: Invited applicants who pass initial screening
- Supplemental application fee: $50, non-refundable

Financial Information

Tuition and Fees
Source: 2017–2018 tuition

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Deposit
- Amount of deposit to hold place in class: $1,200, non-refundable
- Additional deposit amount: $0
- Deposit applied to tuition: Yes

Financial Aid
- Financial Aid Website: http://www.uiw.edu/som/admissions/tuition.html
- Enrolled students with federal financial aid: 82.72%
- Scholarships: Yes
- Average scholarship/grant: $8,697.82

Early Decision Program
- Early Decision Program (EDP) offered: No

First-Year Class Matriculants

Self-Reported Race/Ethnicity
Matriculants from the 2016-2017 application cycle:
- American Indian or Alaska Native: 0%
- Asian: 25%
- Black or African-American: 6%
- Hispanic/Latino: 28%
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: 0%
- White: 34%
- Multiple Races: Undisclosed%
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 Majors of First-Year Class Matriculants
- Science majors: 125%
- Non-Science majors: 37%
- Graduate degree(s): 58%

Premedical Coursework

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Recommended:
Advanced sciences: human anatomy, physiology, biochemistry, genetics, cell biology, neuroscience, microbiology, behavioral science, and immunology