University of North Texas Health Science Center-Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine

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Mission Statement
Create solutions for a healthier community by preparing tomorrow’s patient-centered physicians and scientists and advancing the continuum of medical knowledge, discovery, and osteopathic health care.

COM Basics

First-year out-of-state: 12
First-year female: 415
First-year male: 480
First-year enrollment: 229
Total female: 895
Total male: 229
Total enrollment affiliate institutions: 42,000

Curricular Offerings
The TCOM curriculum is an innovative model designed to prepare future osteopathic physicians by developing the necessary cognitive and clinical skills to be effective in patient care settings. At the beginning of the first-year students study the fundamentals of health which covers body functions. Near the end of the first-year, students will complete a course called Fundamentals of Disease and Treatment which introduces students to common diseases (e.g. infection, inflammation, cancer, etc.). During the second year of the curriculum, students study approximately 1,000 diseases through various patient presentations. These presentations allow students to apply medical knowledge in patient care situations through specific tasks associated with applied learning theory. Course work in medical practice and osteopathic manipulative medicine (OMM) run parallel to the didactic curriculum. They provide the integration of knowledge into clinical practice. Course material also covers additional topics such as professionalism and medical ethics.

The final two years of the curriculum are taught primarily through affiliated hospitals and clinics. Students complete a series of core clinical rotations in family medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine, surgery, psychiatry, obstetrics & gynecology, manipulative medicine, emergency medicine, geriatrics, and primary care partnership. Students may also complete elective rotations in any number of primary care and specialty settings.

DO/MPH
A dual DO/MPH is offered in conjunction with the University of North Texas Health Science Center School of Public Health. Public Health courses may be completed online while students are enrolled in the osteopathic medical school.

Global Health Graduate Certificate
TCOM students have the opportunity to complete a Global Health Graduate Certificate through the University of North Texas Health Science Center School of Public Health. Students complete 15 semester hours of study including an international clinical rotation experience.

DO/MS
A dual DO/MS is offered in conjunction with the University of North Texas Health Science Center Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences. Students have the ability to complete their research in a number of different areas of interest.

DO/PhD
A dual DO/PhD is offered in conjunction with the University of North Texas Health Science Center Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences. This combined program typically takes six or more years to complete. Students have the ability to complete their research in a number of different areas of interest.

Preparatory Programs
Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences Master of Medical Sciences Program
A one-year Master of Science Degree program offered by the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences. The program features basic science courses in biochemistry, cell biology, immunology, histology, anatomy, physiology, and pharmacology. The program also has both a MCAT prep course and short clinical preceptorship experience.

Special Programs
Rural Medicine Curriculum
TCOM offers a specific rural medicine curriculum for those who have an interest in pursuing a medical career in a rural community. The rural program requires additional course work and clinical skills that will be beneficial for rural physicians.

Summer Research Fellowship
TCOM students have the opportunity to conduct research during the summer after year one of the curriculum. Students are work with a member of the University of North Texas Health Science Center-Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNTHSC-TCOM)
faculty to develop their research project. A number of students who have an interest in pediatrics can complete their research at nearby Cook Children’s Medical Center, which hosts a number of student research opportunities.

Honors Research Course
A select number of TCOM students are invited to enroll in a research honors course during their second year of study. The course provides enhanced training in research at the UNT Health Science Center.

Culinary Medicine Elective
TCOM students have the opportunity to complete a six-week elective in Culinary Medicine. The course is taught in collaboration with Texas Christian University Department of Nutritional Sciences. This course includes both classroom and kitchen experiences to better educate medical students on the role of nutrition in overall patient health.

Advisory College Program
TCOM students are assigned into one of six advisory colleges on campus. The advisory colleges provide a student and faculty mentoring network promoting wellness and professional development. The advisory colleges participate in a number of curricular and co-curricular activities throughout the year.

Application Information
• Primary application service: Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service
• Earliest application submission date: 5/1/2018
• Primary application deadline: 10/1/2018
• Supplemental application deadline: 10/15/2018
• Submission timing for best consideration: Applicants should plan to complete their application no later than July 1.

Admissions Process
TCOM only accepts applications from the Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service (TMDSAS) in Austin, Texas. Both a completed primary and secondary are required prior to any review of an application. Applicants are also required to have either a health professions advisory committee packet or three letters of recommendation submitted to TMDSAS on their behalf. A MCAT score is also required.

Each year, TCOM invites between 700-800 applicants to interview for a class size of approximately 230 seats. Notification of acceptance is done through a timeline established by the medical schools in the TMDSAS system.

First-year class matriculant’s selection factors: A minimum of three years of college (90 semester hours or the equivalent number of quarter hours) from a regionally accredited U.S. college or university (or Canadian equivalent) is required. Strong preference will be given to applicants who earn a bachelor’s degree before matriculation. In addition, applicants must complete prerequisite courses in English, statistics, biology, chemistry, organic chemistry and physics. A score of the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) is required.

TCOM uses a holistic review process to recruit and enroll a diverse class of highly qualified applicants for the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree. Applicants are evaluated on their prior academic performance and scores on previous standardized tests. In addition, applicants are evaluated on their commitment to the field of study, community activities, letters of evaluation, interview scores, socioeconomic background and contribution to the diversity of the class. As a matter of policy, TCOM does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, national origin, age or disabilities, and religion in its application and admission processes. As a state-supported medical school, TCOM is required to fill 90 percent of each entering class with Texas residents. The remaining 10 percent may be filled by non-residents with outstanding credentials.

International students (non-U.S. citizens or temporary residents) considered: Yes
Applicants are classified as either residents or non-residents in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Applicants are classified regardless of immigration status.

MCAT
• Oldest MCAT considered: 2014
• Accept September 2018 MCAT scores: Yes
• Accept January 2019 MCAT scores: No

Accepted Sources for Letters of Recommendation
• Virtual Evals
• Interfolio
• Paper
• Email

Interview Format
Interviews are conducted on the UNT Health Science Center campus. Typically, interviews are scheduled between August and January. TCOM uses the Multi-Mini Interview (MMI) format. Interviewees are invited for the day to meet with faculty, tour the campus, and visit one of TCOM’s affiliated hospitals.

Supplemental Application
• Supplemental application required? Yes
• Earliest supplemental application submission date: 5/1/2018
• Supplemental application deadline: 10/15/2018
• Supplemental application requirements: The secondary application is available online on the UNT Health Science Center web site. There is no fee to complete the secondary application.
• Fee waiver available: No
• Supplemental application sent to the following prospective students: All applicants
• Supplemental application fee: $0

Premedical Coursework

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| Tuition and Fees Source: 2017–2018 tuition. Data subject to change. Annual resident tuition: $13,078 Annual non-resident tuition: $28,766 Annual resident fees: $6,088 Annual non-resident fees: $6,088 Annual health insurance fee: $2,711 Fees Include: Student Services X Student Activities X Lab X Technology (not computer) X Computer X Health Service X Estimated annual room, board, books and living costs: $31,082 Average 2017 graduate indebtedness: $121,971 | Deposits: TCOM is a member of the Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service. Amount of deposit to hold place in class: $0 Additional deposit amount: $0 Deposit applied to tuition: N/A Financial Aid Website: https://www.unthsc.edu/financial-aid/ Enrolled students with federal financial aid: 73% Scholarships: Yes Average scholarship/grant: $3,689 |

Pre-Evaluation for Medical Students

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Acceptances
Applicants will be requested to submit necessary matriculation documents according to the following schedule:

- Applicants who are accepted are required to submit a signed admissions agreement form to TCOM Office of Admissions and Outreach. Additional documentation such as official transcripts, immunization records and other documents are due prior to orientation.
- Maximum time for applicant to accept offer:
  - Two weeks
- Earliest acceptance date: 10/15/2018
- Latest acceptance date: 7/1/2019
- Deferred entrance requests considered: Yes
- TCOM will consider one-year deferment requests if made on or before June 1. A $1,000 non-refundable deposit is required to hold a seat in the next class.
- Orientation / start date for first-year students: July 2019 (exact date to be announced)

Early Decision Program
- Early Decision Program (EDP) offered: Yes
- EDP available for: Residents, Non-residents
- EDP application due date: 8/1/2018
- EDP applications submitted to: Texas Medical and Dental Schools Application Service
- EDP supplemental materials due: 8/1/2018
- Date EDP applicants notified: 9/15/2018

First-Year Class Matriculants

Self-Reported Race/Ethnicity
- American Indian or Alaska Native: 1%
- Asian: 32%
- Black or African-American: 1%
- Hispanic/Latino: 9%
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: 0%
- White: 48%
- Multiple Races: 0%
- Undisclosed: 9%

Majors of First-Year Class Matriculants
- Science majors: 74%
- Non-Science majors: 26%
- Graduate degree(s): 21%