

PARTNERS PROGRAM

GET A HEAD START ON A
SUCCESSFUL CAREER IN
OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE



EARLY ACCEPTANCE IS AMONG MANY BENEFITS OF KCU'S PARTNERS PROGRAM

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences-College of Osteopathic Medicine (KCU-COM) is fortunate to be able to offer a unique early acceptance opportunity to outstanding undergraduate students at select educational institutions.

The Partners Program, established in 1998, offers well-qualified undergraduate students the opportunity to gain early acceptance to KCU-COM.

Through the program, undergraduate students attending certain institutions with exceptional premedical programs can apply for admission to KCU-COM during their sophomore year. Those accepted by the end of their sophomore year will have a reserved seat in KCU-COM following completion of their junior year and will forgo their final year of undergraduate work.

In addition, students applying through the Partners Program are not required to take the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT). Applications will be available through premedical or pre-health professions advisors at partner institutions.

www.kcumb.edu/programs/partner-programsforinformation

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

PARTICIPATING UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTIONS

Avila University
www.avila.edu

Central Methodist University
www.centralmethodist.edu

Culver-Stockton College
www.culver.edu

Doane College
www.doane.edu

Drury University
www.drury.edu

Harris-Stowe State University
www.hssu.edu

MidAmerica Nazarene University
www.culver.edu

Missouri Southern State University
www.mssu.edu

Missouri Western State University
www.missouriwestern.edu

Pittsburg State University
www.pittstate.edu

Rockhurst University
www.rockhurst.edu

William Jewell College
www.jewell.edu

University of Missouri-St. Louis
www.umsl.edu

- Selection for the KCU Partners Program will be based upon the following criteria:
 - ACT score (minimum of 28)
 - Students must maintain an overall GPA of 3.25 and a science coursework GPA of 3.50
 - Freshman/sophomore year academic performance
 - Community service
 - Knowledge of and dedication to the field of osteopathic medicine
 - Undergraduate and high school activities
- When a student meets all requirements, he/she is then interviewed by his/her premedical or pre-health professions committee. The premedical or pre-health professions committee will then make a recommendation to KCU's Director of Admissions. Selected students then choose an interview date and will participate in a full interview day on the KCU campus.
- Students do not need to complete an AACOMAS application.
- The following coursework is required to be completed at the student's undergraduate institution:
 - Biological sciences: 12 hours
 - Chemistry: 13 hours
 - Biochemistry: 3 hours (in addition to 13 hours of chemistry)
 - Physics: 8 hours
 - English composition and/or literature: 6 hoursAdditional course *recommendations* include immunology, genetics, anatomy, microbiology, exposure to histology and a strong background in physiology.
- Students selected for the Partners Program must complete a minimum of 90 hours of coursework at their respective undergraduate institutions before matriculating into KCU-COM.
- During the summer after the student's junior year and before matriculation into KCU-COM, the student shall participate in several supplemental courses and activities designed to ensure his/her academic success. One of these programs is the University's Summer Learning Enhancement Program (SLEP). These programs will include sessions on study skills, time management, medical terminology, the medical curriculum and a basic science review. Attendance in this program is mandatory.
- Upon each student's completion of his/her bachelor's degree undergraduate requirements, each student must provide an official undergraduate transcript to the Admissions Office.

Please be sure to consult your pre-health or premedical advisor for any additional undergraduate institutional eligibility requirements.