



## ABOUT KCU

Kansas City University was founded in 1916 as one of the nation's five original osteopathic medical schools. Today, KCU is a fully accredited, private, not-for-profit health sciences university strategically located on two campus locations – Kansas City and Joplin, Missouri – to address the growing health needs of both urban and rural populations.

KCU's Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, Biosciences and Dental Medicine offer graduate degree programs in osteopathic medicine, clinical psychology, biomedical sciences and dental medicine, as well as multiple dual-degree opportunities.

To learn more about KCU, our colleges and academic programs, visit [kansascity.edu](http://kansascity.edu).

## OUR MISSION

Kansas City University is a community of professionals committed to excellence in education, research, patient care and community service while:

*Improving the well-being of the communities we serve.*

## OUR VISION

Changing health care for good.



## DEGREE PROGRAMS

- Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO)
- Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD)
- Doctor of Clinical Psychology (PsyD)
- Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences (MS)

## DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAMS

- DO/MA in Bioethics
- DO/MBA in Health Care Leadership; *in partnership with Rockhurst University*
- DO/MPH in Public Health; *in partnership with the University of Nebraska Medical Center*
- DMD/MBA in Health Care Leadership; *in partnership with Rockhurst University*
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## KCU BY THE NUMBERS

**5<sup>th</sup>** largest  
 MEDICAL SCHOOL  
 IN THE NATION

**11,000+**  
 PHYSICIAN AND  
 SCIENTIST ALUMNI

**8<sup>th</sup>** most affordable  
 PRIVATE OSTEOPATHIC  
 MEDICAL SCHOOL IN  
 THE NATION

**9<sup>th</sup>** most impactful  
 MEDICAL SCHOOL  
 IN PRIMARY CARE





## CENTER FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION INNOVATION

In 2020, Kansas City University unveiled the new Center for Medical Education Innovation (CMEI), a 54,000 square-foot facility, where medical education transforms imagination into reality.

The CMEI features advanced virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) technologies, providing students the opportunity to evaluate, diagnose and treat patients in real-world simulations.

This “learning by doing” approach enables students to participate in training that mirrors everyday clinical challenges facing physicians. Students complete 30 to 40 curriculum-based simulations by the time they reach third-year clinical clerkships. This repeated practice lowers the risk of medical errors and patient harm.

The CMEI houses ICU simulation sites, medical robots, 22 standardized patient rooms and a 70-bay lab for physical diagnosis and osteopathic manipulative medicine (OMM).



## KCU COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE (NOW OPEN AT KCU-JOPLIN)

The KCU College of Dental Medicine, located on the Farber-McIntire Campus in Joplin, Missouri, officially opened in June 2023. The CDM welcomed its first class of 80 students in fall 2023, educating the next generation of dentists through a general practice, community-based model.

KCU’s dental curriculum focuses on early clinical training and issues related to community and population health. Working under the supervision of adjunct faculty preceptors, fourth-year dental students will provide comprehensive oral health care in clinical partner sites to underserved patients throughout Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas. It is anticipated that these student externs will provide an additional 40,000 to 50,000 patient visits annually, helping to increase access to oral health care for individuals and families in need. Recruiting students from rural areas and increasing their awareness of and exposure to rural oral health disparities improves the likelihood that KCU graduates will establish practices in underserved areas.

Southwest Missouri, southeast Kansas, northwest Arkansas and northeast Oklahoma have fewer dentists per capita than most areas in the United States. This multi-state region within a 125-mile radius of Joplin, Missouri has an immediate and critical need for more dentists, specifically in rural and underserved communities.

While dental schools cannot solve all the issues related to lack of access, the KCU College of Dental Medicine is positioned to play a significant role in helping deliver oral health care in this area.

