



Kansas City University

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI • JOPLIN, MISSOURI



ABOUT KCU

Kansas City University, founded in 1916, is a leading health sciences university and home to the nation's fifth-oldest osteopathic medical school. KCU is a fully accredited, private, not-for-profit university strategically located on two Missouri campuses – in Kansas City and Joplin – to address the 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, fellowship and research opportunities.

To learn more about KCU, our colleges and academic programs, visit 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 Clinical Psychology (PsyD)
- Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences (MS)
- Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD)

DUAL-DEGREE PROGRAMS

- DO/MBA in Health Care Leadership
in partnership with Rockhurst University
- DO/MA in Bioethics
- DO/MPH in Public Health
in partnership with the University of Nebraska Medical Center

KCU BY THE NUMBERS

5th
LARGEST MEDICAL
SCHOOL IN THE NATION



10th
MOST AFFORDABLE
PRIVATE MEDICAL SCHOOL
IN THE NATION

9th MOST IMPACTFUL
MEDICAL SCHOOL
IN PRIMARY CARE

2 Campus Locations
KANSAS CITY &
JOPLIN, MISSOURI

10,000+
PHYSICIAN AND
SCIENTIST ALUMNI



2,037
STUDENTS
ENROLLED

*Leading producer of
physicians for Missouri*

180,000
JOBS SUPPORTED BY
ALUMNI PRACTICES



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 utilizes a general practice, community-based model and will welcome its first class of 80 students in Fall 2023.

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.

