



## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for admission, an applicant must:

1. Meet all of the below admissions requirements and technical standards for admissions.
2. Complete both the primary and secondary application.

The faculty of the college establishes admissions requirements for MSUCOM. The requirements are meant to ensure that every entering student has achieved a minimum level of education in key areas. Completion of requirements is vital to success in medical school.

Students must complete the following courses with no grade below a C or 2.0 on a 4.0 scale:

A baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university or exemplary performance in a minimum of 90 semester hours of coursework including:

Biology	8 Semester credit hours
Biochemistry*	Please see Chemistry
Chemistry*	Total of 16 semester credit hours
	must include a minimum
	of 3 semester credit hours of
	Biochemistry
English**	6 semester credit hours

\*Any combination of lecture/lab Chemistry/Biochemistry courses may be used to fulfill the total credit hour requirement of 16 semester credit hours, but must include a minimum of 3 semester credit hours of Biochemistry.

\*\* Candidates who have successfully completed Advanced Placement coursework and received credit reported on their undergraduate transcript may apply those credits toward the English requirement or the Chemistry requirement only. We do not accept AP credit toward the Biology or Biochemistry requirements.

Pre-matriculation course work necessary to fulfill the requirement of the 90 semester hours must be completed at a college or university accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education.

### Recommended Courses:

We strongly encourage applicants to complete additional courses in junior or senior level biological sciences. Courses such as Anatomy, Physiology, Genetics and others provide a strong foundation for success in medical school.

Candidates may apply while coursework is in progress, but incoming MSUCOM students are required to complete all prerequisite credit hours before they begin classes in June.

We reserve the right to alter these requirements to correspond with curricular changes.

### **Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT)**

The medical college admissions test (MCAT) is required of all applicants who are not eligible for a waiver through the [Osteopathic Medical Scholars Program](#) (OMSP).

### **Evaluation Letters**

The evaluation section is deemed complete and suitable for review when at least three letters of evaluation are received.

MSUCOM recommends that at least one letter be written by an academic or medical professional. MSUCOM does not require academic/committee/advisor evaluations, nor does MSUCOM require that an osteopathic physician complete an evaluation.

Applicants have three options to send letters of evaluation to the MSUCOM Admissions Office:

1. AACOMAS application letter service.
2. Pre-medical advisors/university may submit letters on the applicant's behalf via a transmission system called Interfolio.
3. Pre-medical advisors/university may submit letters directly to MSUCOM admissions system via a transmission system called VirtualEvals.

### **Technical Standards**

The College of Osteopathic Medicine requires that all candidates for the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree meet the following [technical standards](#) for admission and participation in its program.