



CHSU COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

ADMISSIONS BROCHURE



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*Above: Student Doctors enjoying
the campus courtyard.*

START YOUR JOURNEY HERE

at CHSU



COMMITTED TO OUR MISSION

The California Health Sciences University College of Osteopathic Medicine (CHSU-COM) exists to recruit, train, and retain physicians to serve the Central Valley and beyond, especially the underserved populations.

CHSU offers a four-year Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) program. For the first two years, students learn from a modified, two-pass systems-based curricular model that includes:

- ◆ Active Learning
- ◆ Clinical Practice
- ◆ Problem Solving
- ◆ Realistic Patient Scenarios with Scientific Principles

Other curricular components and technology include:

- ◆ Butterfly iQ+ Handheld Ultrasound
- ◆ Clinical Skills
- ◆ HoloAnatomy
- ◆ Medical Spanish
- ◆ Nutrition as Medicine
- ◆ Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine
- ◆ Patient-centered Care

Visit chsu.edu/mission-vision-values



Above: CHSU-COM graduate at Commencement and Hooding Ceremony.

THERE IS



COMMITTED TO OUR MISSION

Medical Spanish courses help serve patients in their native language and improve Health outcomes through cultural understanding.



35%
of students speak Spanish

“ I am a *first gen doctor* and now I am going to be in OB/GYN and that's been my dream since I started down this career. ”

Sibongile Makatini, DO
CHSU-COM, Class of 2026



Above: Student Doctors studying and socializing on campus.

A PLACE *for you*



19%

of students are underrepresented in medicine to serve our community



89%

of students are from California

CONSCIENTIOUS COOKING

We believe we can help improve the health of our *community* by educating our medical students and others in the Central Valley on healthy eating and nutrition. Our medical students learn the basics of nutrition and culinary medicine through team-based learning applications, case studies, and hands-on cooking classes in our on-campus Teaching Kitchen using the Health meets Food® curriculum.



COMMITTED TO OUR MISSION

Teaching future physicians to think of food as medicine.

Above: Student Doctor participating in Culinary Medicine curriculum.

HELPING THE BODY

Heal Itself



Above: Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment (OMT)

OSTEOPATHIC MANIPULATIVE MEDICINE (OMM)

Starting in their first year, medical students learn OMM, a hands-on treatment DOs use to diagnose illness, treat injury and encourage the body's natural tendency toward self-healing.

Osteopathic medical students receive over 200 hours of hands-on OMM training to diagnose and perform treatment techniques like stretching, gentle pressure and light resistance to alleviate pain, optimize function, promote healing, and increase overall health and mobility.

Immerse YOURSELF



Above: Student provided care to one of our high-fidelity patient manikins.

The Simulation Center is at the forefront of medical and interprofessional education in the Central Valley. Our innovative Simulation Center features an in-patient hospital wing with an emergency room, operating room, scrub room, and 3 patient rooms; an outpatient wing with 12 exam rooms; and 2 labs for HoloAnatomy and task trainers.

HOLOANATOMY

Students study anatomy using HoloAnatomy instead of traditional cadaver and dissection labs for learning. Each student has their own device to study with any time, any place. CHSU utilizes the Case Western Reserve University's HoloAnatomy™ curriculum.

BUTTERFLY IQ+

Medical students learn point of care ultrasound using the Butterfly iQ+ handheld ultrasound device and other equipment. This device connects directly to a smartphone and can provide a quick way to assess a patient for further treatment.

HIGH FIDELITY MANIKINS

Our family of tetherless manikins (from adult to infant) live in our in-patient hospital wing and create a unique interactive learning environment. Their human-like qualities include breathing, pulses, blinking, talking, crying and other characteristics pertinent to the clinical simulation training.



Above: Augmented Reality HoloAnatomy Simulation.



UNDERSTAND YOUR

RESEARCH DAY

Research and scholarly activity is important to the development of our future osteopathic physicians. CHSU medical students start early service-learning projects in the first semester while embedded in Central Valley health centers.

Student doctors collaborate with faculty, preceptor physicians, other health care providers, and scientists to conduct research to benefit their

partner health care center. Students also have the opportunity to potentially present their research during CHSU Research Day, which is held on campus at the end of each academic year.



COMMITTED TO OUR MISSION

Providing early introduction to research and population health.

COMMUNITY

Impactful Research

EARLY SERVICE-LEARNING

CHSU-COM clinical education focuses on a whole-person approach to treatment and care, utilizing cutting-edge technology and hands-on experiences. We prepare medical students to be life-long learners and champions of evidence-based medicine, engaging in research and scholarly activities.

During these projects, medical students collaborate with faculty,

preceptor physicians, other health care providers, and scientists. Students may have the opportunity to potentially publish their research from these projects in peer-reviewed journals and present at conferences.

Above: Student doctor presenting at CHSU Research Day.



**Research &
Scholarly Activity**

CONNECTIONS CLOSE

To Home



CLINICAL CLERKSHIPS

In years 3 and 4, CHSU medical students participate in clinical clerkships that help them gain the experience to develop into highly trained physicians. CHSU partners with most regional hospitals, clinics, and health care facilities within a driving distance.

YEAR 3

In year 3, students gain hands-on experience through their 6 core clinical clerkships with qualified local physicians in the community. Students rotate through 4-to-8-week clerkships in:

1. Family medicine
2. Internal medicine
3. Surgery
4. Pediatrics
5. Psychiatry
6. Obstetrics & Gynecology



**Clinical
Clerkships Map**

YEAR 4

In year 4, students are provided ample opportunities for audition rotations preparing them for the residency Match and to experience both required and elective opportunities for more advanced clinical learning in areas including:

- Primary care
- Emergency medicine
- Specialty elective
- Underserved medicine



COMMITTED TO OUR MISSION

Local clerkship rotations in hospitals, clinics, and other local health facilities.



MATCH DAY

100% Residency Match Rate for three consecutive years

Notable residency specialties matched by CHSU students include:

Anesthesiology • Dermatology • Diagnostic Radiology • Emergency Medicine
Family Medicine • Internal Medicine • Neurology • Obstetrics/Gynecology
Orthopaedic Surgery • Pathology • Pediatrics • Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
Psychiatry • Radiology • Surgery • Urology



Having CHSU graduates complete residencies locally helps advance our mission to train physicians here in the Central Valley and provide more equitable access to health care.

John Graneto, DO
Dean, College of Osteopathic Medicine



FINDING YOUR FIT *At CHSU*

Above: Students bowling and socializing.

STUDENT LIFE

The CHSU campus community offers a welcoming and inclusive environment to help ensure student success.

Student organizations on campus range from community-impact to medical specialty exploration, to shared interest groups. Medical students can also get involved in the Student Government Association to advocate for student colleagues with the faculty, administration, and outside agencies.



STUDENT SUPPORT

We strive to cultivate respect, inclusion, excellence, and service. Creating a trusting and caring culture is at the heart of the Office of Student Affairs' mission and staff.



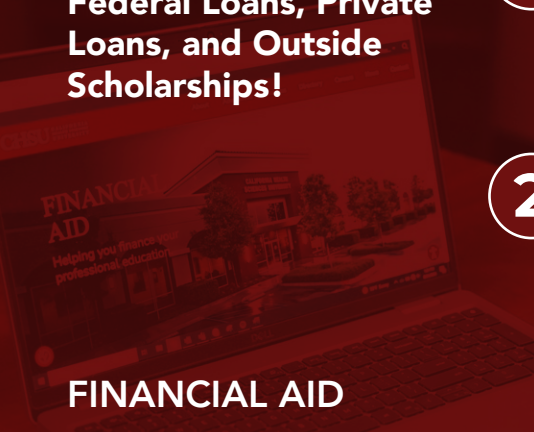
Above: Students taking advantage of tutoring services.

CHSU students thrive with the Student Support Services we offer:

- ◆ Academic Support Services
- ◆ Accessibility Services
- ◆ Physical Health Services
- ◆ Counseling and Mental Health Services
- ◆ Student Activities and Events
- ◆ Student Fatigue Mitigation Program
- ◆ Student Professional Organizations
- ◆ Tutoring Services

Financing Your FUTURE

**You can apply for
Federal Loans, Private
Loans, and Outside
Scholarships!**



FINANCIAL AID

The CHSU Office of Financial Aid (OFA) is committed to ensuring you make informed financial choices. The OFA assists you in understanding, applying for, and securing financing for a professional education, from the beginning of your academic career at CHSU to your entry into residency training and beyond.

Start the application process by completing a FAFSA online at **studentaid.gov**. The CHSU School Code is 042814.

Contact Info & Office Hours
financialaid@chsu.edu
Monday-Friday 8am - 5pm

1

Being Prepared

- Calculate your monthly expenses
- Plan a budget

2

Understanding Costs

- Tuition and fees
- Health insurance
- Books and supplies
- Room and board
- Transportation
- Personal expenses

3

Exploring Scholarship Opportunities

- Earning scholarships can greatly reduce the debt you may accrue during medical school
- For more information about scholarship opportunities, visit our website at **osteopathic.chsu.edu/financial-aid-scholarships-tuition**

4

Initiating Loans

- CHSU participates in federal and private student loan programs.

“

Scholarship opportunities

help alleviate my financial burden. They can also *inspire* more people to apply to med school knowing their goals are more attainable.”

- Tatiana Abdulnour, DO



Above: CHSU-COM Alumna speaks on scholarships.

SCHOLARSHIPS

In partnership with the Central Valley Community Foundation, CHSU students can apply for private scholarships.

CHSU Scholarships are possible through the generosity of our community partners to help CHSU students finance their doctoral medical education.

CHSU also shares other scholarship opportunities with students and encourages them to investigate other ways to fund their academic career at CHSU. Visit our website for some potential scholarship opportunities and select scholarship search engines.

YOUR MEDICAL SCHOOL JOURNEY...

Start Now



1 PREPARE

Ensure you meet the Admissions Requirements

- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution (or equivalent)
- U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or DACA
- 3.0 Overall and science GPA
- MCAT of 500 or above with no subsections below the 25th percentile

Complete the Prereqs

- 3 semester Credits of Behavioral Science
- 6 semester Credits of English
- 8 semester Credits (each) of Biology, Inorganic Chemistry, Organic Chemistry and Physics

**Visit the CHSU-COM website for complete prerequisite details and course requirements.*

2 APPLY

Submit your primary application to CHSU-COM through AACOMAS by **March 1 Deadline.**

Qualified applicants may benefit from:

- Early Decision options
- Partner Pathway Programs
- Specialized admission opportunities designed to support student success

**Applying early is encouraged.*



**Apply
Today!**



3 THE PROCESS

Qualified applicants will receive an invitation to submit a secondary application.

Selected candidates are invited to interview.

Following a holistic review, the CHSU-COM Admissions Committee makes recommendations to the Dean who makes the final Admissions Decisions. Typically, 2-3 weeks after the interview.

4 MAKING IT OFFICIAL

Accepted students receive an Enrollment Agreement outlining important policies, requirements, and deadlines.

To reserve a seat in the class, accepted students must submit the required deposit by the specified deadline in their offer.

**Review the CHSU-COM Admissions policy for details on matriculation requirements.*

5 WELCOME TO CHSU-COM

Join a community committed to preparing compassionate physicians who will improve the health and well-being of California's Central Valley and beyond.

Have more questions?

Click here to Contact Admissions, Submit an Inquiry Form, Schedule a Campus Tour or Advising Session. ➔



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