



West Michigan OsteoScholars

Student Application



Do you want to be a doctor, but aren't sure where to start?

There are two types of fully licensed physicians in the U.S. – osteopathic physicians (D.O.s) and allopathic physicians (M.D.s). You can find D.O.s in all specialties from family practice to surgery. Osteopathic physicians are known for their “whole person” approach to care that helps patients achieve better health.

West Michigan OsteoScholars is an exclusive partnership between Michigan State University Extension and the Osteopathic Foundation of West Michigan.

The program brings together top local resources to give you learning opportunities that prepare you for college and medical school. Meetings are held just once a month and you'll be introduced to area physician mentors, resume-building experiences, and you can even try your

hand at medical procedures at the Mercy Regional Simulation Lab.

This program is the first step on a path of exclusive opportunities that may include a full scholarship to MSU's OsteoCHAMPS summer program*, a \$500 college scholarship to any college, admission support for MSU's undergraduate programs, admission to MSU's Osteopathic Medical Scholars Program, and preferential admission to MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine. The value of these experiences cannot be overstated.

The program is provided by the generosity of donors, so there is no charge to students. Enrollment is a privilege so full participation is expected from each student.

REQUIREMENTS

- Open to current high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors
- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Must attend meetings at 6:30pm on the third Tuesday of each month at Mercy's Hackley Campus.
- **Applications due Tuesday, September 18, 2018**

**Only current Sophomores and Juniors are eligible for MSU's OsteoCHAMPS program.*

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STUDENT INFORMATION

_____ Last Name	_____ First Name	_____ Middle Initial	_____ Date of Birth	
_____ Street Address		_____ City	_____ State	_____ Zip
_____ Home Phone	_____ Cell Phone	_____ Email Address		

EDUCATION

_____ High School	_____ Cumulative GPA		_____ Graduation Year	
Current Grade:	<input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> Super Senior (early college)

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

_____ Primary Contact Name	_____ Relationship to Student
_____ Phone	_____ Email Address

SIGNATURES

I affirm that the statements on this application are true, complete, and correct. I hereby authorize the Osteopathic Foundation to make any inquiries deemed necessary concerning the information provided.

_____ Applicant Signature	_____ Parent/Guardian Signature
Date: _____	Date: _____

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

1. **PERSONAL STATEMENT.** Write a brief personal statement describing your career interests and what sparked your interest in the medical field. (250-300 words, typed)
2. **EXPERIENCE.** Please list school activities, community involvement, and volunteer experience.
3. **TRANSCRIPT.** Provide a current copy of your high school transcript.
4. **LETTER OF REFERENCE.** Attach a letter of reference from a high school teacher, principal, or counselor.

The completed application must be submitted by email as a PDF attachment. Students are expected to demonstrate their communication skills by submitting the application and attachments **independently and from their own email address.** It must be received on or before **Tuesday, September 18, 2018.**

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