



2024-2025 STATE OF KANSAS OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

Student Information Guide

Eligibility Requirements

- Be a Kansas resident.
- Be committed to providing primary medical care in an underserved area in Kansas.
- Demonstrate financial aid eligibility as measured by the federal formula.

Primary Care Medicine includes general internal medicine, pediatrics, family medicine, family practice, obstetrics and gynecology, geriatric medicine or emergency medicine

Underserved areas are designated as any Kansas county except: Douglas, Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee and Wyandotte

Financial Information

- Scholarship award not to exceed \$41,000 per year depending upon state appropriations
- Up to four years of funding per student

A maximum of 32 Kansans may be funded each year if funds permit

Procedures

- Complete and submit both this application and statement of purpose to the Kansas Board of Regents.
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. When you receive your FAFSA submission summary, submit a signed copy with this application to the Kansas Board of Regents.
- Be admitted to an accredited school of osteopathy in the United States.

Timelines

- Priority deadline for submitting the FAFSA for processing is February 1, 2025
- Deadline for submitting this application is February 1, 2025
- Notification to recipients is approximately mid February 2025

For more information contact your pre-med advisor, the Kansas Board of Regents, or the Kansas Association of Osteopathic

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KANSAS OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

A Program Designed To Improve **PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE** in **KANSAS**

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM

In 1975 the State of Kansas enacted Legislation, and amended it in 2001, providing the Kansas Board of Regents with the authority to grant scholarships to individuals pursuing a medical career in osteopathy. The Osteopathic Medical Service Scholarship provides an annual award not to exceed \$41,000 for 2024-2025 and is limited to 4 years of funding or until the degree is conferred, whichever occurs first.

PURPOSE OF PROGRAM

The program is designed to encourage doctors to practice **primary care medicine** in areas of Kansas where there is an insufficiency of medical care providers.

PROGRAM RESTRICTIONS

1. Osteopathic Medical Service Scholarships are awarded only to students who are residents of Kansas. Students may attend any accredited osteopathic school in the United States.
2. Applicants must agree to practice **primary care medicine**, which is defined as **general internal medicine, pediatrics, family medicine, family practice, obstetrics and gynecology, geriatric medicine or emergency medicine**. The practice must be fulfilled in a **medically underserved area** which is any county in Kansas **except** Douglas, Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee, or Wyandotte. Practice must begin within six months after licensure or within six months after completion of an approved postgraduate residency training program and licensure, whichever is later.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The criterion to be used by the Kansas Board of Regents in selecting recipients includes Kansas resident status, financial need as measured by the federal formula defined in U.S. Public Law 102-325 and the likelihood of primary care medical practice in an underserved area of Kansas. In making this selection, emphasis will be placed upon the applicant's statement outlining his/her past and present commitment to medical care or employment in Kansas including volunteer or paid health care efforts.

PROMISSORY NOTE

Each award recipient must sign an agreement and promissory note, which includes the promise to repay the Kansas Board of Regents the cumulative award amount plus accrued interest from the date such money was received at a rate which is equivalent to the interest rate applicable to loans made under the federal PLUS program at the time such person first entered into an agreement plus five percentage points and any collection costs in the event service is not rendered. **The interest rate for 2024-25 was 14.08%.**

OBLIGATION

Each recipient can discharge fully his/her obligation to the Kansas Board of Regents by practicing primary care medicine full time or half time in Kansas excluding Douglas, Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee and Wyandotte counties or through at least half-time employment at a state medical care facility or institution. Each year of scholarship support obligates the recipient to one year of service.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

FOR PRIORITY CONSIDERATION, THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS BY February 1, 2025

1. The 2024-2025 Kansas Osteopathic Service Scholarship application.
2. Your statement of purpose, which is to be a one page typed statement outlining your understanding of the purpose of the Osteopathic Service Scholarship and your commitment to practice primary care medicine in an area of the state that is designated as medically under served.
3. You need to complete the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.gov for the 2024-25 school year. You are advised to submit your completed FAFSA by April 1, 2024. We can see your completed FAFSA through our system. We don't need a copy of your application.



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2024-2025 APPLICATION

Kansas Board of Regents
Osteopathic Medical Service Scholarship
1000 SW Jackson St, Suite 520
Topeka, KS 66612-1368

PERSONAL

Full Name:

Last Name First Name Middle Initial Maiden Name

Address:

Street City State Zip Code

How long have you lived at this address? _____ Years _____ Months

Phone No. (_____) _____

Place of Birth: _____ Email: _____

Driver's License No: _____ State Issued: _____ Date Obtained: _____

RESIDENCY

When did your physical presence in Kansas begin? From: _____ To: _____
Month/Year Month/Year

If you have ever lived outside of Kansas indicate where and when?

Parent/Guardian:

Name: _____ Phone No. (_____) _____

Address: _____

City State Zip Code

Relationship: _____ Mother _____ Father _____ Legal Guardian

How long has parent/guardian lived in Kansas? _____ Years _____ Months

EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL Name: _____ Year of Graduation: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____

UNDERGRADUATE Name: _____ Year of Graduation: _____
COLLEGE Address: _____ Did you pay resident tuition?
City, State, Zip: _____ Yes No

OSTEOPATHIC Name: _____
COLLEGE
ATTENDING: City, State: _____

2024-2025 Educational Level In Osteo School: _____ 1st Year _____ 2nd Year _____ 3rd Year _____ 4th

Year Month and Year you anticipate you will begin your practice in Kansas _____

EMPLOYMENT

PRESENT Company Name: _____
EMPLOYMENT Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____

Starting Date: _____ Ending Date: _____

Position: _____

COMMITMENT

I hereby attest that I am a bona fide resident of the State of Kansas and agree that if I am selected as a scholarship and loan recipient for the study of osteopathic medicine, I will engage in full-time primary care practice which includes general internal medicine, pediatrics, family medicine, family practice, obstetrics and gynecology, or emergency medicine in a designated medically underserved area in Kansas within six months of completion of my internship or residency training program for the period of time required by the contract. I further agree to a full investigation of my eligibility, including inquiries of business and professional persons and a release of my academic and financial records if necessary in support of this application. I certify that to the best of my knowledge the information contained in this application is correct. I understand that false or incorrect information may subject the application to be eliminated from consideration for the scholarship.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Return completed application to lordhamburns@ksbor.org, fax 785.430.4233 or mail to KBOR address