


# Maximum Length of Program Completion Policy

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## 1. POLICY STATEMENT

The Kansas Health Science Center (KHSC)-Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine (KansasCOM) requires all students to complete osteopathic training in a prescribed period of time, as required by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA).

## 2. PURPOSE

The Maximum Length of Program Completion policy provides guidelines for the maximum duration of osteopathic education at KHSC-KansasCOM.

## 3. APPLICABILITY

All KHSC-KansasCOM students.

## 4. DEFINITIONS

### Length of Osteopathic Education

The length of osteopathic education is defined as the length of time from matriculation into KHSC-KansasCOM to graduation from KHSC-KansasCOM.

## 5. PROCEDURES

### 5.1 Graduation Requirements

The degree of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) is conferred upon candidates of good moral character who have successfully completed all academic requirements, satisfied all financial obligations, and have successfully passed COMLEX Level 1, COMLEX Level 2 CE and COMLEX Level 2 PE examinations.

### 5.2 Promotion and Recommendation for Graduation

The Student Promotion and Performance Committee (SPPC) shall review each student's record to make sure promotion and graduation requirements have been met. The committee will be responsible for recommending candidates for promotion and graduation to the Faculty Council. The Faculty Council will review eligible candidates and recommend a final slate of students for promotion and graduation to the Dean/Chief Academic Officer. The Dean/Chief Academic Officer can accept or reject the Faculty Council's recommendations. All decisions of the Dean/Chief Academic Officer are to be considered final. The promotion and graduation procedure are described in detail in the Student Promotion and Graduation Policy.

### 5.3 Maximum Length of Program Completion

A candidate for a single Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) degree must complete their education within 150% of the standard time (six academic years following matriculation), as specified by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA)

## 6. RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Student Promotion and Graduation Policy

## 7. CONTACTS

- Dean/Chief Academic Officer

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