

University of New England
College of Osteopathic Medicine
Strategic Plan 2018-2023

Mission

The University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine fosters health care leaders across the continuum in undergraduate, predoctoral, graduate medical and continuing medical education, to advance exceptional osteopathic healthcare locally and globally through practice, research, scholarship, education and community health.

The University of New England, College of Osteopathic Medicine will become a recognized leader in educating primary care physicians for Maine, New England, and the nation by developing into:

UNE COM Goals

I. Patient-Centered, Learner-Focused Medical Education

UNE COM will leverage and enhance accessibility to our integrated, innovative and impactful academic medical curriculum to the citizens of Maine and beyond.

Enhance UNE COM's innovative, patient-centered/learner-focused educational infrastructure.

Develop partnerships with community-based, multi-disciplinary clinics to enhance UNE COM's delivery of osteopathic medical education

Invest in innovative, multi-pronged health initiatives throughout the region which provide educational opportunities for students, practice and research opportunities for faculty, and recruitment and awareness opportunities for the public.

Lead university-wide health profession IPE activities through a quality, integrated curriculum.

Establish dual/joint degree programs that are synergistic with the D.O. degree.

Explore alternative pathways to medical education that reduces costs for students.

Expand initiatives related to mentoring, GME placement, professional growth and development, and financial counseling to students, residents, and alumni.

II. Value-Oriented Partnerships

UNE COM will build synergistic relationships with clinical enterprises and community partners for opportunities that advance the education and training of students, residents, staff and faculty.

Identify and form synergetic institutional partnerships that are strategically aligned with UNE COM's focus on the integration of osteopathic principles, IPE, prevention and population health to improve the quality and efficiency of health care delivery.

Create community partnerships with state and city governments, rural communities, schools, patient support groups, and foundations to engage in educational, clinical and scientific outreach.

Expand existing partnerships for the development of shared resources to support education, clinical practice, research, and professional development activities

Seek opportunities to provide enhanced clinical experiences that foster an interdisciplinary approach for learners.

Improve communication to enhance collaboration between campus and clinical affiliates.

Provide educators with a resource that supports medical education goals, encourages trainees to access original research, and provides guidance on diagnosis and treatment options while preserving and supporting the essential learning opportunities that educators want to provide.

III. Awareness and Reputation as a Premier Osteopathic Medical School

UNE COM will support and foster a greater awareness of the osteopathic, innovative educational community.

Promote the UNE COM brand to enhance opportunities for recognition, distinction, advocacy, philanthropy, and marketing for UNE COM and its partners
Distinguish UNE COM as a leader in local and regional health activities that are highly visible and accessible.

Elevate and enhance UNE COM contributions to the policy formation in the public and private sectors of Maine and New England.

IV. Research/Scholarship

UNE COM will enhance and grow biomedical science, educational, and clinical research and scholarly opportunities for all faculty and students through current strengths and enhanced partnerships.

Maintain and grow a clearly defined and well-focused research program.

Evaluate quality improvement initiatives with clinical sites to tightly link research

V. Faculty and Professional Staff Success

UNE COM will provide support for growth and advancement, to on- campus and off-campus clinical and biomedical faculty and staff.

Facilitate faculty and staff collaboration across all departments and affiliates.
Cultivate faculty engagement in clinical practice environments to provide continued connection to clinical training environments as a crucial component of recruiting physici

VI. Infrastructure

UNE COM will create an expanded, unified structure