



**3+1 Program**  
**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**OSU Center for Health Sciences –**  
**College of Osteopathic Medicine**

This Memorandum of Understanding (“Agreement”) establishes the 3+1 Program between Northeastern State University (NSU) and Oklahoma State University - Center for Health Sciences (OSU-CHS), College of Osteopathic Medicine dated June 25, 2019.

OSU-CHS seeks to admit students who desire to become primary care physicians in rural and underserved Oklahoma. The 3+1 Program allows students to complete their pre-doctoral medical training in seven years by completing three years of undergraduate education at NSU and four years of medical education at OSU-CHS in its Rural Medical Track (RMT). Students apply to the 3+1 Program during their sophomore year of college. After successfully completing the first year of medical school and meeting the academic requirements for the approved 3+1 majors specified by the Northeastern State University, NSU will award an undergraduate degree to students accepted in the 3+1 Program.

To qualify for the 3+1 Program, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Resident of Oklahoma;
- Have a strong desire to practice primary care medicine in rural or underserved Oklahoma;
- Be a student enrolled for the first three years on the NSU Tahlequah campus or their sophomore year and junior year on the Broken Arrow campus;\*
- Declare one of the approved 3+1 Program majors:
  - Cell and Molecular Biology
  - Chemistry
  - Integrative Biology
  - Nutritional Sciences
  - Allied Health Option
  - Psychology with Pre-Health minor

- Have an overall grade point average (GPA) of at least a 3.5 and at least 3.5 Science GPA;
- Have completed 45 or more credit hours toward a bachelor's degree at the time of application to OSU-CHS;
- Courses earned as concurrent enrollment or received AP credit will be accepted.
  - Science GPA will be calculated with the course subject categories defined by the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine Application Service (AACOMAS);
- Submit a complete application for admission through American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine Application Service (AACOMAS) by February 28 of sophomore year;
- Submit a complete secondary/supplemental application for admission by March 30 of sophomore year;
- Schedule an interview with the Pre-Health Advisory Committee (PAC) for a letter of recommendation;
- Submit two letters of recommendation: One letter from the Pre-Health Advisory Committee (PAC) and one letter from a physician (D.O. preferred);
- Conduct a personal interview with the OSU-CHS Interview Committee during the spring semester of sophomore year.

\*Students must be concurrently enrolled at Tulsa Community College (TCC) or Connors State College (CSC) and NSU Broken Arrow for their sophomore year.

Students must meet with a Pre-Health Advisor at NSU to create an academic plan for the approved 3+1 major to ensure they will meet the requirements for their undergraduate degree and the 3+1 Program before matriculation to OSU-COM.

Students who meet these requirements will be eligible for the 3+1 Program. Students must check the appropriate box on their secondary/supplemental application to indicate they have met the 3+1 Program requirements. Following an in-person interview, a member of the Admissions Committee or the Director of Admissions will notify applicants of the Admissions Committee's decision by May 1. The applicant will either be granted provisional early acceptance into the 3+1 Program or be invited to apply for admission in a later application cycle as a traditional applicant.

In order to maintain continued acceptance into the OSU-COM 3+1 Program, provisionally accepted students must satisfy the following requirements:

- Maintain an overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.5 and science GPA of at least a 3.5. GPA will be calculated at the time of application and before student matriculates to OSU-CHS;

- Take the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) during their junior year and score a minimum of 492 before matriculation to OSU-COM;
- Complete all remaining undergraduate coursework required for the approved 3+1 plan during their junior year;
- Request in December of sophomore year and May of junior year transcripts from NSU indicating that the student has met all academic requirements for the undergraduate degree as specified by the applicable Northeastern State University undergraduate catalog; and
- Provide documentation stating any student violations or conduct issues on the student's record in December of sophomore year and May of junior year.

After completing the first year of medical school at OSU-CHS and prior to enrolling in courses for the second year of medical school, 3+1 Program students must:

- Apply for graduation to Northeastern State University by January 15 to be included in the spring commencement ceremony as a summer graduate. Student will not officially graduate in May until degree is conferred in the summer but can participate in commencement.

OSU-CHS reserves the right to periodically review the Agreement and recommend changes as deemed necessary. In the event OSU-CHS makes recommendations, NSU will have thirty (30) days to accept or reject the proposed changes. Agreements will be reviewed annually for any updates on majors and academic requirements for approval. Agreed-upon changes to the Agreement will become effective for the incoming undergraduate class for the following academic year.

For the current application cycle, OSU may make adjustments to the academic plans on a case-by-case basis with the mutual agreement of both parties, to include the Assistant Dean for Enrollment Management at OSU-CHS and Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at NSU.

Both programs have the right to terminate the Agreement at any time with thirty (30) days' notice.