



COLLEGE OF

Osteopathic Medicine

AT THE CHEROKEE NATION

Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine at the Cherokee Nation — Nation's First Tribally Affiliated Medical School

VITAL STATISTICS

- 59,000 square feet
- Classes begin fall 2020
- First medical school class – 50 students
- Targeting a total of 200 medical students when fully operational
- 16 full-time faculty, 5 part-time faculty, numerous adjunct clinical faculty
- First graduation class – May 2024
- Certified by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation
- Mission is to educate primary care physicians with an emphasis on rural and underserved Oklahoma
- William J. Pettit, D.O., will serve as the Dean of the new medical school

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

- The OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine at the Cherokee Nation is the first tribally affiliated medical school in America.
- The new medical school will focus on educating primary care physicians who have an interest in providing care to Native and rural populations in Oklahoma.
- The new medical school will be located in the W.W. Hastings Hospital in Tahlequah, Oklahoma in the heart of the Cherokee Nation.
- Synchronized technology-enabled distance learning at OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine in Tulsa will enable students to study with faculty and collaborate with fellow students located in both Tulsa and Tahlequah.
- Medical students will be recruited from around Oklahoma and the United States and will not be restricted to Native Americans.
- All four years of medical education will be delivered at the Tahlequah site.
- Teaching space will include an anatomy laboratory, clinical skills lab, osteopathic manipulative medicine lab, standardized patient labs and a simulation center that will feature a state-of-the-art hospital/clinic simulation center equipped with life-like, computer-programmed manikins that mimic a number of medical conditions to teach medical students in specialties such as emergency medicine, pediatric/adult medicine, labor and delivery, and newborn care.



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