How to Apply to the Osteopathic Medicine, D.O. – Émigré Physicians Program (EPP)

New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine (NYITCOM) offers a unique program to retrain émigré physicians born and educated outside the United States to become doctors of osteopathic medicine (D.O.). NYITCOM is the only medical school in the United States offering such a program and it is available only on our Long Island (Old Westbury, NY) campus.

Program Overview

- Admission is competitive and highly selective.
- Four-year, full-time U.S. medical school program up to 35 seats available.
- Émigré Physicians Program (EPP) students are fully integrated into the entering D.O. class and participate in all aspects of student life; research opportunities available with faculty.
- Admitted students are strongly discouraged from working full-time throughout each academic year.
- Students must successfully complete all academic requirements in order to qualify for graduation.
- Medical residency follows successful graduation. Length of residency varies depending on medical specialty.

Admission Requirements for the Entering Class of 2023

- Must be born outside the U.S. and be a U.S. Citizen or a U.S. Permanent Resident at the time of application (Green Card should not expire prior to graduation date). *Visa holders are not eligible to apply..*

- Must possess a valid Foreign Medical Degree from an accredited university equivalent to the M.D. degree in the United States. The foreign medical institution should not be

- accredited by the United States Department of Education and as such should not qualify for U.S. federal financial aid.

- Must complete the Émigré Physicians Program Application online and submit the **nonrefundable** $195 application fee.

- To complete the application requirements, you must submit a course-by-course evaluation, TOEFL, letters of recommendation, and a resume or curriculum vitae.

- Applicants invited for an interview are required to take an Entrance Examination. Applicants opting to submit Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) scores may be exempt from the Entrance Exam.

- An international and U.S. Criminal Background Check from all countries lived in is required prior to acceptance.

- Must accept the NYITCOM Technical Standards prior to matriculation.

Application Documents

EVALUATION

An official course-by-course evaluation of your educational credentials must be submitted from either of the following evaluation services directly to NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine:

1. World Education Services, Inc.

   Have WES send the evaluation electronically to NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine.

   OR

2. Globe Language Services, Inc.

   Request that Globe email the evaluation to eppadmissions@nyit.edu.

NYITCOM only accepts evaluations from these two evaluation services, and they are subject to approval by the Admissions Committee. The evaluation must state that the applicant possesses a valid foreign medical degree from an accredited university equivalent to the M.D. degree in the United States.

TOEFL

A TOEFL iBT (internet-based) exam score of 90 or higher is required for all applicants. TOEFL results must be less than two years old at the time of application. Please schedule your test date at least two months prior to the application deadline to ensure timely processing.

Important Notes:

- You must release **ALL** your scores to New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine, using the **school code 2486**Score reports are received electronically.
- NYITCOM will accept the traditional TOEFL iBT test, taken at a test center, the TOEFL iBT Home Edition test, or the TOEFL iBT Paper Edition.
- NYITCOM will **not** accept the TOEFL Essentials Test
- NYITCOM does **not** waive the TOEFL score requirement, even if you have a U.S. degree or have taken the USMLE or hold ECFMG certificate.
- Achieving the minimum accepted score does not guarantee an interview.
- If you do not meet the required score, you must retake the TOEFL until you meet the minimum requirement of 90 or higher. NYITCOM does not accept the MyBest score. Applicants must achieve a minimum of 90 on the individual test to meet the minimum requirement.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (LOR)

Two (2) letters of recommendation are required. They must be less than two years old at the time of application. Please have your recommenders email their letters as attachments (PDF format only) directly to eppadmissions@nyit.edu Please note that letters from friends, family or colleagues will not satisfy the letter of recommendation requirements. Letters must be dated, written on official letterhead and signed by the recommender. The subject line should state your full name, as entered on your EPP online application (Example: "LOR: Donald Khan").

PleaseNote: The letters should be sent **after** your online application has been submitted, so that we can match your letters with your application.

● Letters may be submitted by a current or former supervisor from a recent research, clinical or academic experience. Letters from a D.O. or M.D. are preferred, but not required.

RESUME OR CURRICULUM VITAE

● All employment experiences, as well as volunteer, clinical, academic, research, and leadership experiences, should be included with a brief description.

● If there is a period of time where you were not employed or engaged in a professional activity, the dates must be included with an explanation of your activity during that time. There should be no gaps of time in the resume.

● Experiences should be listed in chronological order, beginning with the most recent.

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NON-ACADEMIC FACTORS

NYITCOM conducts a holistic review of all applicants, which considers other factors beyond academics, including the following:

- U.S. shadowing experiences with D.O.s and M.D.s
- Volunteer and work experience in the healthcare field
- Leadership experience
- Research, clinical experience, publications
- Global health experience
- Rural and underserved population experience

APPLICATION TIMELINE

- **May 2022:** EPP application becomes available.
- **November 15, 2022:** Deadline to submit the EPP application and the non-refundable $195 application fee.
- **November 30, 2022:** Deadline to submit the official course-by-course evaluation, official TOEFL score report, and two letters of recommendation.
- **Winter 2023:** Interviews and entrance examination for selected applicants.
- **Early Spring 2023:** The Committee on Admissions will make decisions. A **nonrefundable** $1,500 tuition deposit is required to reserve your seat in the 2022 entering class.

ATTENTION RE-APPLICANTS

Applicants may apply up to a maximum of 5 application cycles.

A new application is required each year with an updated resume or curriculum vitae. If you submitted an official WES or Globe course-by-course evaluation and/or an official TOEFL score report for the 2021 application cycle, you do not need to resend it for the 2022 application cycle. If you have retaken the TOEFL and achieved a higher score, you must submit the updated official score. Please check your TOEFL results to be sure that the test is less than two years old at the time of application. Recommendation letters should not be more than two years old at the time of the new application.

The EPP admission information provided above supersedes all previously posted guidelines. Please follow the current admission requirements and submit the required application documents as requested. No exceptions or waivers will be made.

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