



Western University of Health Sciences **College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific**

The Interview

Interviews at the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific are meant to be an exchange of information in a welcoming environment. Questions are asked to explore your ability to analyze information and arrive at logical conclusions. You may also be asked to give an explanation of how you arrived at your response. The quality of the interview experience is one of the selection factors for admission.

Before or After the Interview

- You will be given the class schedule for the week and will have the opportunity to sit in on a class before or after your interview.
- You have time to speak to your presenters or to visit the university services that are of interest to you.
- You will have time to meet with admissions staff.
- The COMP receptionist is there to help you if you need assistance.

About the Interview

- The interview is approximately thirty minutes long.
- Your interview team may consist of two to four members depending on faculty, staff, and student participation.
- Your interviewers have the option of reviewing your application prior to your interview.
- Your interviewing team will make a recommendation to the Admissions Committee; the Admissions Committee is the decision making body on campus regarding acceptances.
- The Admissions Committee meets weekly.
- You will hear from us within two weeks, by mail, of the outcome of your interview.

During the Interview

- Your interviewers will be taking notes.
- Your interviewers will have a copy of your AACOMAS academic profile.
- If you do not understand a question, state that to your interviewer and ask for clarification.
- You can take a few moments to formulate your answer.
- At the end of your interview you will have the opportunity to ask questions or to briefly state information that you think is important but that was not explored during the interview.
- If you need water or any assistance, your interviewers are there to help you.