INNOVATIVE CURRICULUM

Students will experience an exciting new curriculum that is more clinically-relevant, provides greater clinical experiences, more elective time, and incorporates student wellness, population health and professionalism. Unique to Peoria, students participate in the Early Longitudinal Immersion Interprofessional Team Experience (ELI2TE), a longitudinal clinical experience that provides a comprehensive exposure to team-based, patient-centered care in a primary care setting.

NEW & RENOVATED SPACE

The Peoria campus is entering its second phase of campus renovations. Already completed is a new anatomy wing, a virtual reality lab, student oasis, student study spaces, and a technology-rich classroom. Additional classroom and technology upgrades are underway to the on-campus clinic.

CONTINUED GROWTH IN GME

UICOMP and OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center started a new ACGME-accredited fellowship in hospice and palliative care in July. Illustrating the growth across the graduate medical education programs, this is the fifth new fellowship added in the past five years. The others are: Cardiovascular Disease, Gastroenterology, Simulation, and Pulmonary Critical Care.
UICOMP research integrates basic science, translation science, and clinical research including multidisciplinary research in health outcomes, education, and simulation.

Cancer research is a primary focus of the basic science labs on campus. Similarly prominent at UICOMP is neuroscience research, encompassing Alzheimer’s, multiple sclerosis, stroke, neurotoxicology of environmental agents, and ion channel research.

OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center is the largest of 13 hospitals in OSF HealthCare. One of two major teaching hospitals for UICOMP, OSF Saint Francis is the training site for nine residencies and eight fellowships.

OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center includes a Level I Trauma Center, the OSF HealthCare Illinois Neurological Institute – one of the most comprehensive neuroscience centers in the Midwest – the busiest medical air ambulance transport services in Illinois, St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital Midwest Affiliate, and OSF HealthCare Children’s Hospital of Illinois, the only downstate full-service tertiary care hospital for kids.

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Located in downtown Peoria adjacent to UICOMP, UnityPoint Health – Methodist has a Joint Commission Disease specific Certification for heart attack, heart failure, stroke, pneumonia, hip and knee replacement, and sleep disorders.

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Some of what Peoria has to offer:
- Low cost of living
- Vibrant arts scene
- Largest park district in Illinois
- Minor league baseball and hockey
- Airport with 12 direct destinations
- 2,000-acre wildlife park
- Several miles of walking/biking paths
- Two symphony orchestras
- Museum with traveling Smithsonian exhibits
- Large civic arena and theater
- National touring Broadway/musical concerts