A student-focused culture with teachers and faculty mentors who are friendly, supportive, and helpful is how graduates of the University of Illinois College of Medicine Peoria describe the unique culture. We are located in downtown Peoria’s medical district within six blocks of more than 950 patient beds at its two primary clinical affiliate hospitals.

Future physicians training in Peoria benefit from small class sizes and experience hands-on medicine and clinical experiences across a wide variety of specialties and sub-specialties, often one-on-one with attending physicians and resident physicians.

Multidisciplinary research is supported and encouraged. Research mentors offer students excellent opportunities to become active investigators while gaining experience and flourishing as researchers. Research labs focus on cancer research as well as Alzheimer’s, multiple sclerosis, stroke, neurotoxicology of environmental agents, and ion channel research.
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 fifth-largest medical center in Illinois and is the largest of 13 hospitals in the OSF HealthCare system. Owned and operated by The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis, it’s a major teaching affiliate of the University of Illinois College of Medicine Peoria and is the training site for nine residencies and eight fellowships.

Saint Francis Medical Center is home to the area’s only Level I Trauma Center with a 24-hour medical air ambulance and includes OSF HealthCare Children’s Hospital of Illinois (the third largest pediatric hospital in Illinois) and the OSF HealthCare Cardiovascular Institute which offers the only cardiology training fellowship in the region. OSF HealthCare Illinois Neurological Institute, one of the most comprehensive neuroscience centers in the Midwest, is also part of the OSF Saint Francis campus.

UnityPoint Health – Central Illinois is another major teaching site for UICOMP including physician training for two residencies, psychiatry and family medicine, and the family medicine obstetrics fellowship program.

UnityPoint Health includes three hospitals, two are located in Peoria and the third in Pekin. UnityPoint Health holds over 550 beds, a state-of-the-art outpatient and imaging center, more than 50 clinics and the newly created behavioral health community partnered organization UnityPlace.

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.

OSF HealthCare

**OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center**

Licensed Beds – 629
Employed Physicians – 380
Advanced Practitioners – 258
Inpatient Admissions – 33,139
Emergency Department Visits – 76,660
Births – 2,896

**OSF HealthCare Children’s Hospital of Illinois**

Licensed Beds – 132
Employed Physicians – 159
Advanced Practitioners – 129
Inpatient Admissions – 13,526
Outpatient Visits – 201,346
Emergency Department Visits – 42,766
Surgeries – 12,936
Births – 1,617

**UnityPoint Health – Methodist**

Methodist – 329
Employed Physicians – 159
Inpatient Admissions – 13,526
Outpatient Visits – 201,346
Emergency Department Visits – 42,766
Surgeries – 12,936
Births – 1,617

DISCOVER WHY PEORIA HAS BEEN NATIONALLY RANKED FOR QUALITY OF LIFE

It’s the best of both worlds: city living with a small-town vibe. Peoria offers rich cultural amenities, family-friendly activities and ample job opportunities. Located midway between Chicago and St. Louis, Peoria is an innovative city and central hub for healthcare, data analytics, entrepreneurship, heavy equipment manufacturing and agribusiness. The greater Peoria area is home to nearly 400,000 and about 1 million people live within a 60-mile radius.

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 11 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

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