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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND

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COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

The University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine was founded in 1978 on a beautiful coastal campus in southern Maine. It is the only osteopathic medical school in New England. The college currently enrolls approximately 700 medical students, about half of whom come from the six-state New England region and the rest from other U.S. states and a number of foreign countries. To date, the college has graduated more than 3,500 osteopathic physicians.

The College of Osteopathic Medicine emphasizes the education of primary care physicians. More than 60 % of its graduates go on to practice in the primary care specialties. The college has a 2+2 curriculum: two years of didactic training followed by two years of clinical clerkships. The College of Osteopathic Medicine is committed to meeting the challenge of training physicians for the 21st century.

The medical school is housed in the 80,000-square-foot Harold Alfond Center for Health Sciences, a modern science education facility and a major medical and health sciences resource for the region. The Pickus Center for Biomedical Research, with its Cécile Morgane Research Laboratories, offers students and faculty exceptional facilities for conducting research. Leonard Hall is an educational facility offering the latest in state-of-the-art educational technology that allows for case-based learning and other innovative educational learning experiences.

The University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine is accredited by the American Osteopathic Association.

THE POMP BEHIND THE CIRCUMSTANCE
Academic Regalia

THE GOWN

The history of the academic gown goes back to the 12th century. During this period, everyone — both men and women, royalty, lay folk, clerics, tradesmen, students — wore long flowing robes. The apparel varied in elegance according to the rank and wealth of the owner, from simple rough worsteds to rich gold brocades wrought with tassels and trimmed with colorful velvet and rich furs. It was in this period that the first organized bodies of learning were formed. From the gowns worn in the "universities" of the period have evolved the academic costumes of today.

The bachelor's gown is a simple design falling straight from a rather elaborate yoke with long pointed sleeves. The gown worn by a master has long, closed, somewhat fuller sleeves, which reach nearly to the wearer's knees. The arms go through slits at the elbow, giving the appearance of short sleeves. The doctoral gown is cut much fuller and has large bell-shaped sleeves. The gowns are usually, but not always, black, and those of bachelors and masters are generally devoid of ornamentation. The doctoral gowns are distinguished by the five-inch velvet panel around the neck and down both sides of the front as well as by three-inch velvet bars sewn on each sleeve. The color of the velvet trim may be black or may indicate the nature of the degree. For example, the color designating a Doctor of Medicine is green.

THE HOOD

The hood seems to have had a somewhat practical origin. Medieval monks used their hood for two purposes: to protect their shaved heads in the winter and as a container to collect alms.

Today, the hood serves as the most symbolic part of the academic regalia by which the observer can ascertain the wearer's level and kind of degree. The bachelor's hood is the smallest, being three feet long. The velvet trim along the edges, indicating the nature of the degree, is two inches wide. The master's hood is six inches longer and bears a three-inch velvet trim.

The doctoral hood presented today is a full four feet long and exhibits a five-inch, green velvet trim indicating the medical degree.

The colorful interior of the hood, visible from behind, indicates by hue the degree-granting institution. The University of New England's colors are blue and grey.

PIONEER OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE MEDAL RECIPIENT

REGEN GALLAGHER ’95, MBA, D.O. ’99

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Regen Gallagher, MBA, D.O., CPE, started at the University of New England as an undergraduate in 1991 and has not been able to fully tear herself away from campus since. After earning a Bachelor of Science in Medical Biology from the College of Arts and Sciences, Gallagher went on to earn a medical degree from the College of Osteopathic Medicine. Deeply tied to UNE, Gallagher has served as a member of the UNE Board of Directors since 2016 and currently serves as Board Chair.

Gallagher is the chief medical officer at Cary Medical Center in northern Maine. She serves as the hospital’s compliance officer, physician advisor, risk manager, and patient safety officer, as well as maintaining administrative oversight of many organization-wide activities. During Gallagher’s tenure at Cary, she oversaw the expansion, modernization, and enhancement of the institution to successfully meet the challenges its patient and employee community faced throughout the global COVID-19 pandemic and today.

Gallagher completed an osteopathic internship at Mercy Suburban Hospital in Norristown, Pennsylvania, a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Midwestern University in Olympia Fields, Illinois, and is certified in obstetrics and gynecology by the American College of Osteopathic Obstetrics and Gynecology. She is also a Certified Physician Executive through the American Association of Physician Leadership. Prior to her medical leadership roles, Gallagher practiced obstetrics and gynecology at Cary and Pines Health Services in Caribou, Maine, and in a private practice in Columbus, Georgia.

Gallagher earned an MBA from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. She is a member of the American Osteopathic Association and serves on the University of Southern Maine’s Institutional Review Board. She previously served on the Maine Osteopathic Association board, the state Trauma Assistance Committee, and the Aroostook Council for Healthy Families.

Gallagher credits her time at the UNE with instilling the importance of being a lifelong learner.

PIONEER OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE MEDAL RECIPIENT

BARBARA J. WINTERSON, Ph.D.

Professor Emerita

Barbara J. Winterson received her Ph.D. in experimental psychology, with specialization in sensation and perception, from the University of Maryland in 1977. Awarded an NIH postdoctoral fellowship, she did neurophysiology research at the Erasmus University, Rotterdam in the Netherlands from 1977 to 1979 before joining the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNE COM) faculty that fall. She had a wide range of faculty and administrative positions during her 4-year tenure, and had a broad and lasting impact on the growth of UNE, most notably in research, faculty governance, and curriculum development.

Winterson has taught neurophysiology, neuroanatomy, endocrinology, gastrointestinal physiology, reproductive physiology, and cell biology to medical, physician assistant, and nurse anesthetist students. She has been the course director for the second-year medical student’s interdisciplinary Nervous Systems, Gastrointestinal and Endocrine Systems. She is an early advocate of case-based learning and a staunch advocate of student involvement in research.

She was the first UNE faculty to receive a competitive NIH R01 grant in 1981 to research the neural basis in eye movements. In 1997, she received the Louisa Burns Award from the American Osteopathic Association for her research on the biological basis of muscular pain.

She has authored over 20 peer-reviewed publications, served as editor for the Journal of the American Osteopathic Association, and reviewer for multiple journals including Neuroscience Letters, Vision Research, and Brain Research.

Winterson has served as faculty coordinator of the Morgane Summer Research Fellowships, advisor for medical student organizations, chair of the Department of Biomedical Sciences, and served as university leadership in many roles. She has written and reviewed items for use in the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners board examinations.

Winterson was granted Professor Emeritus status by the UNE Board of Trustees in 2020 and spends her time with her family, including three granddaughters, on her small farm where she raises chickens and sheep.

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