## **Degree Description**

Upon graduation from Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine, the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) degree is granted. The usual length of the course of study is four academic years. The curriculum consists of two years of primarily didactic instruction followed by two years of primarily clinical rotations, including the applicable didactic material. Upon graduation with the D.O. degree, the graduate is eligible for postdoctoral residency training in all fields of medicine. Completion of requirements for a D.O. degree does not guarantee placement in a residency program, future employment, licensure, board certification, or credentialing.

Osteopathic Medicine graduates must complete a graduate medical education program (residency training program) to become licensed to practice osteopathic medicine.

Graduates should check the licensure requirements for the state, district or territory in which they intend to pursue employment.