



**University of Pikeville
Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine
Office of the Dean**

Student Participation in Research and Scholarly Activity

Policy Contact: Biomedical Sciences, Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine

Policy Category: Administration

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Purpose

Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine (KYCOM) encourages and supports research and scholarly production in alignment with its mission and in accordance with the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) Standard 8.4, Student Participation in Research and Scholarly Activity. Consistent with this standard, KYCOM has policies and procedures in place to support student driven research and scholarly activity, as well as student participation in the research and scholarly activities of the faculty.

Policy Statement

The research program at KYCOM provides students, faculty, and staff an opportunity to engage in a culture of inquiry through ethical and safe biomedical research. Students are permitted and encouraged to seek research opportunities throughout their academic career at KYCOM.

Each academic year, KYCOM students are afforded the opportunity to apply for the University of Pikeville-KYCOM [Summer Research Fellowship](#) program. All students who are enrolled at the time of the award and in good academic standing are eligible to apply. KYCOM students have the option of conducting research with University of Pikeville mentors or with approved external researchers, provided that all of KYCOM's policies and procedures are followed. The KYCOM Research Committee will review all qualified applications for the Summer Research Fellowship and make award determinations. The Research Committee is also tasked with the review of the research grants and ensures that the grants align with KYCOM's established grant program guidelines. Any KYCOM student that wishes to conduct research outside of KYCOM must register their proposed research project with the Research Committee and provide proof that the outsourced institute takes responsibility for the student's research project prior to beginning the Summer Research Fellowship. The number of KYCOM funded summer research fellowships are determined annually based upon the

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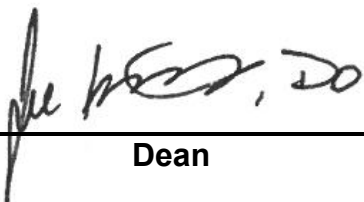
budget for that academic year. Every KYCOM student engaging in research must complete the [CITI training modules](#), as directed by the Research Committee, and certificates of completion must be provided to the Chair of the Research Committee prior to beginning research.

Related References, Policies, Procedures, Forms and Appendices

[Research at UPIKE](#)

[KYCOM Summer Research Fellowship](#)

[CITI Program Modules](#)



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