Key Facts

Midwestern University
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Midwestern University (MWU) is a private, not-for-profit graduate degree-granting institution specializing in the health sciences with campuses in Glendale, Arizona, and Downers Grove, Illinois.

Glendale, Arizona Campus
(8 Colleges, 3,800+ students)

Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine
College of Pharmacy
College of Health Sciences
College of Dental Medicine-Arizona
Arizona College of Optometry
College of Veterinary Medicine
College of Graduate Studies
Arizona College of Podiatric Medicine

Downers Grove, Illinois Campus
(6 Colleges, 2,500+ students)

Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine
College of Pharmacy
College of Health Sciences
College of Dental Medicine-Illinois
Chicago College of Optometry
College of Graduate Studies



- The University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission.
- MWU began building in Arizona in 1995, constructing 61 buildings totaling over one million square feet on 174 acres at the Glendale Campus since that time.
- MWU's faculty mix reflects a blend of experienced teachers, prominent scientists, and established clinicians.
- Joshua C. Baker, O.D., M.S., is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Midwestern University.

Midwestern University Local Impact



Local Impact: Midwestern University is home to Arizona's largest medical school and the state's first veterinary college. As of September 2026, over 19,000 healthcare professionals have graduated from all of Midwestern's programs, with 42% remaining in Arizona to practice, helping to address critical shortages statewide.

Economic Impact: According to a survey by Applied Economics, the University has an economic impact of $767 million in Maricopa County and has created nearly 1000 campus-based jobs.

Community Service: Midwestern University faculty and students are actively engaged in community service through University-sponsored events, alliances with local healthcare organizations, volunteer care at homeless shelters, and work study programs. Midwestern students and employees provide over 10,000 hours of community service annually through outreach programs, health screenings, and education throughout the state.



Midwestern University Clinics

State-of-the-art community healthcare provided by licensed faculty professionals and upper-level students

Midwestern University Multispecialty Clinic (Opened 2007)
- Family Medicine, Foot and Ankle Services, Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine, Pharmacy Services, Pediatrics
- Licensed healthcare providers and/or students provide care with faculty supervision

Midwestern University Dental Institute (Opened June 2010)
- Comprehensive family dentistry, including advanced imaging, oral surgery, pediatric dentistry, orthodontics, laser treatments, dentures/partial dentures and same-day crowns
- Third- and fourth-year CDMA students provide care with faculty supervision

Midwestern University Eye Institute (Opened October 2010)
- Comprehensive family eye and vision care, including eye exams, glasses and contact lenses, disease screenings, pediatric care, ocular prosthetics, and ophthalmology
- Third- and fourth-year AZCOPT students provide care with faculty supervision

Midwestern University Animal Health Institute (Opened December 2014)
- Companion Animal Clinic: comprehensive small animal care, including urgent care, internal medicine, diagnostic imaging, surgery, dentistry, wellness, senior pet care, canine physical rehabilitation, neurology, and dialysis
- Large Animal Clinic: large animal medicine and training and mobile care services
- Diagnostic Pathology Center: necropsy and pathology services and training
- Midwestern University Zoological Medical Institute at the Phoenix Zoo: partnership involving CVM students and faculty for exotic/zoo animal health
- Third- and fourth-year CVM students provide care with faculty supervision

Midwestern University Therapy Institute (Opened December 2019)
- Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Clinical Psychology, Low Vision Rehabilitation, Sports Vision Performance Training, Vision Therapy, Speech-Language Pathology , Acquired Brain Injury, CAREN (Computer Assisted Rehabilitation Environment) Virtual Reality Treatment

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Glendale Campus by the Numbers

MWU Students for 2026-2027 Academic Year

Illinois/Arizona Total:	6,407

Glendale Campus

Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine	1023
College of Pharmacy	162
College of Health Sciences	987
College of Dental Medicine–Arizona	590
Arizona College of Optometry	271
College of Veterinary Medicine	515
College of Graduate Studies	148
Arizona College of Podiatric Medicine	137
Total:	**3,833**
Faculty	376
Staff	621

Student/Faculty Ratio: 10 to 1
Glendale Campus Alumni: 19,240



One Health Initiative

Midwestern University has adopted the principles of the One Health Initiative as a core component of our healthcare philosophy. At its foundation, the One Health Initiative recognizes that the health of humans is connected to the health of animals and the environment. The One Health Initiative aims to unite the efforts of physicians, veterinarians, research scientists, and others to gain additional insights into the complex interrelationships between global biodiversity, sustainability, and public health.

Academic Program Highlights

Doctoral Programs: 11 | Master's Programs: 12 | Certificate Programs: 1 | Total: 24

Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine – founded 1995

- Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.)
- Applied Master of Osteopathic Education (A.M.O.E.)

College of Pharmacy – founded 1998

- Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.)

College of Health Sciences – founded 1992

- Master of Medical Science in Physician Assistant Studies (M.M.S)
- Master of Occupational Therapy (M.O.T.)
- Master of Science in Cardiovascular Science (M.S.)
- Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice (D.N.A.P.)
- Post-graduate Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice Completion Program (D.N.A.P.)
- Master of Arts in Clinical Psychology (M.A.)
- Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.)
- Doctor of Physical Therapy (D.P.T.)
- Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology (M.S.)
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.)
- Master of Science in Nursing (Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner) (M.S.N.)
- Master of Science in Nursing (Nurse Leadership in Global Health) (M.S.N.)

College of Dental Medicine-Arizona – founded 2008

- Doctor of Dental Medicine (D.M.D.)

Arizona College of Optometry – founded 2009

- Doctor of Optometry (O.D.)

College of Veterinary Medicine – founded 2012

- Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.)

College of Graduate Studies – founded 2018

- Master of Arts in Biomedical Sciences (M.A.)
- Master of Biomedical Sciences (M.B.S.)
- Master of Arts in Precision Medicine (M.S.)
- Post-Graduate Certificate in Precision Medicine (PGCert)
- Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)

Arizona College of Podiatric Medicine – founded 2020

(Founded as the Arizona School of Podiatric Medicine in 2004, College founded in 2020)

- Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (D.P.M.)

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