



Class of 2011

## SNAPSHOT

**The University of South Carolina School of Medicine (SOM) was created in 1977 by the Teague-Cranston Act, federal legislation that called for the creation of five new medical schools to meet the needs of the medically underserved areas of the country. Noted for its high-quality medical education, the School of Medicine provides its students with one-on-one instruction that lasts from their first basic science course to their last clinical rotation in their fourth year. In the past three decades, the University of South Carolina's School of Medicine has emerged as a national leader in primary care medical education, in pioneering research that improves people's lives, and in providing humanistic patient care at the bedside.**

### PRIORITIES

- Continue to attract quality faculty, staff, and students.
- Address the critical health care needs of South Carolinians.
- Enhance clinical and research funding.
- Increase the endowment for student scholarships.

### PARTNERSHIPS

- Dorn Veterans Administration Medical Center
- Palmetto Health Richland
- Greenville Hospital System University Medical Center
- Byrnes Center for Geriatric Medicine, Education and Research
- William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute
- Moncrief Army Hospital

### COLLABORATORS

- The SeniorSMART™ Center, a \$5 million state-funded Center of Economic Excellence, focuses on interdisciplinary research to keep seniors healthy and independent. Collaborators include Clemson University, the Medical University of South Carolina, Palmetto Health Alliance, Greenville Hospital System University Medical Center, and the Fraunhofer Institute in Kaiserslautern, Germany.

### QUICK FACTS

#### Hallmarks

- In 2009, the School of Medicine received the maximum allowable accreditation (8 years) by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME), the nationally recognized accrediting authority for medical education programs leading to the MD degree in U.S. and Canadian medical schools.
- The School of Medicine's University Specialty Clinics is the largest integrated health care group in the Midlands, with more than 200 faculty physicians providing comprehensive care to more than 175,000 South Carolinians each year.

- The School of Medicine has pioneered the nation's first four-year medical school curriculum that teaches students how to use ultrasound technology.

### DEPARTMENTS

#### Clinical

- Family and Preventive Medicine
- Internal Medicine
- Neuropsychiatry
- Obstetrics/Gynecology
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopaedic Surgery and Sports Medicine
- Radiology
- Pediatrics
- Surgery
- University Primary Care

#### Pre-Clinical

- Cell Biology & Anatomy
- Pathology, Microbiology and Immunology
- Pharmacology, Physiology, and Neuroscience

### PROGRAMS OFFERED

- MD Degree
- MD/MPH dual degree in conjunction with the School of Public Health
- MD/Ph.D. dual degree
- Ph.D. in Biomedical Science
- Master of Biomedical Science
- Master of Nurse anesthesia
- Master of Rehabilitation Counseling
- Master of Genetic Counseling