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RESIDENCY SPOTLIGHT: ETSU DEPT. OF FAMILY MEDICINE PROGRAMS



DEPARTMENT
of FAMILY MEDICINE
EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY



- East Tennessee State University (ETSU) was ranked seventeenth in the nation according to the [2010 Best Graduate Schools issue](#) of *US News And World Report*.
- The program's mission is to provide community-focused medical education and evidence-based, patient-centered care; to improve health in rural southern Appalachia, especially among the underserved population; to model compassionate and efficient care during effective communication skills; and to advance scholarly investigation.
- ETSU Department of Family Medicine Programs have three sites: Johnson City Family Medicine, Family Physicians of Kingsport, and Family Physicians of Bristol.
- [HRSA Awards Title VII Funding to implement training in primary care:](#) The project goal is to enhance the effectiveness of training in primary care at the residency level by designing a formal Evidence-Based Quality Improvement (QI) Curriculum in Rural Health.
- **NIH \$1.5 million grant awarded** to study weaving [storytelling and medicine](#) to teach effective communications skills to physicians and other healthcare providers who treat patients diagnosed with cancer.
- **Prestigious AAFP Award:** bestowed on faculty member [Reid Blackwelder, M.D.](#) as the single person deemed to be the best full-time teacher of Family Medicine in the United States.

Other Regional Sites and AOA website for ETSU Dept. of Family Medicine Programs

[AOA Statistical page for ETSU Dept. of Family Medicine Programs](#)

[Bristol, TN website](#)

[Washington County, TN website](#)

[State of Tennessee Tourism site](#)

[City of Johnson City, TN Website](#)

[Kingsport, TN website](#)



Tri-Cities of Tennessee and Virginia



- [Natural Tunnel](#), called the eighth wonder of the world by William Jennings Bryan, has been attracting sightseers to the mountains of southwestern VA for more than 100 years.



[The Appalachian Trail](#) is a great place to see the beauty of nature.

Plenty of options for things to do in the Tri-Cities

- The [Bristol Motor Speedway](#) is just down the road. NASCAR comes to town twice a year for the excitement of short track racing.
- Twilight Alive Downtown Concert Series is a popular series of concerts in Kingsport, TN featuring artists like Jack Ingram, a popular country musician who had recently performed on *The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brien* and Lifetime's popular show, *Army Wives*.

School News

[LMU-DCOM Honors Body Donors](#)

[PC SOM Students Attend National Meeting](#)

[PC SOM Class of 2013 to Receive "White Coat of Compassion"](#)

[LMU Readies Campus for H1N1 Flu](#)



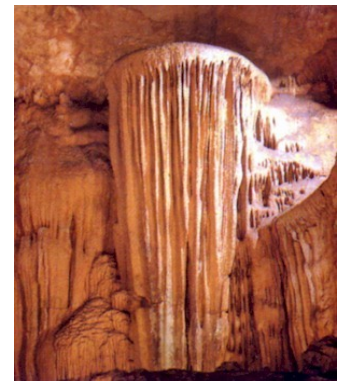


Other Options for You

- The area is known for its fine food. Recently, [Bone Fire Smokehouse](#), in downtown Kingsport, won the "Best Ribs Recipe" competition on "Live! With Regis & Kelly." They are now in the running for the "Ultimate Grill Off" Best Overall Category.
- Historical Abingdon, VA has many attractions and shops. [The Martha Washington Hotel and Spa](#), originally built in 1832 as a private residence by a Virginia general, is a great place to visit for a dinner or an extended stay.
- Also in Abingdon, [Barter Theater](#), a starting place for such Academy Award-winning actors as Gregory Peck, Patricia Neal, Ned Beatty and Earnest Borgnine, has 674 seats in two different venues.

Bristol Caverns

- The [Bristol Caverns](#) is a beautiful place to visit. Paved, well-lit walkways wind through the vaulted chambers and along the banks of the ancient Underground River that created these magnificent caverns.
- Stalactites and stalagmites, some larger than tree trunks and others smaller than straws, fascinate and give play to the imagination.



National News

[AOA Members invited to join Homeland Security Information Network Web portal](#)

[DOs share lessons in primary care with Chinese physicians](#)

[Finance Committee To Take Up Health Reform](#)

[Medbiquitous releases American National Standards to Increase Accountability](#)

[Risk of Type 2 Diabetes in Women May Be Increased By Large Fat Cells](#)

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 6** Research Subcommittee meeting 12:00 p.m. EDT via Connect Pro
- Oct. 13** OGME meeting 12:00 p.m. EDT via Connect Pro
- Oct. 15** OMM Grand Rounds 12:00 p.m. EDT via Connect Pro, “**OMM TO TREAT THE STRESS EFFECT OF CERVICAL AREAS**”
- Nov.** First quarter evaluations due
- Nov. 3** Faculty Development subcommittee meeting 12:00 p.m. EDT via Connect Pro.
- Nov. 11** Osteoquad begins
- Nov. 17** OGME meeting 12:00 p.m. EDT via Connect Pro

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State Societies News



[From VOMA: VOMA's Fall 2009 CME Conference](#)

[From TOMA: Be the Next Doctor of the Day!](#)

[From IOMA: AOA's CAP Program Approved for PQRI](#)

[From AKOMA: AKPMA Winter CME](#)

[From IOA: 28th Annual Winter Update](#)

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