

## Lubbock-HSC Clinical Campus

 **Lubbock: A City of Possibilities:** Lubbock, the “Hub City” of the South Plains, has a population of over 260,000 and offers a unique blend of both urban convenience and small-town charm. Lubbock attractions include a thriving cultural scene such as the Buddy Holly Center, the National Ranching Heritage Center, or diving into nature at the stunning Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

 **Access to Major Cities:** Situated at the crossroads of Interstate 27 and Highway 84, Lubbock provides convenient access to major cities like Dallas, Austin, and Houston. With Lubbock Preston Smith International Airport offering daily flights from American, Southwest, and United traveling to and from these bustling metropolises and other major locations in the US has never been easier.

 **Affordable Living:** Stretch your dollars further in Lubbock! With a cost of living index below the national average and housing costs significantly lower than other large Texas cities, Lubbockites can enjoy a comfortable lifestyle without financial strain. According to Numbeo, the cost of living in Lubbock is approximately 26% lower than in Dallas.

 **Mild Climate:** Bask in the sunshine of West Texas! Lubbock boasts over 265 days of sunshine per year, coupled with mild winters and pleasant springs. Say goodbye to harsh winters and sweltering summers, and embrace a climate perfect for outdoor activities year-round.

 **Diverse Dining:** Savor the flavors of West Texas cuisine! From authentic Tex-Mex to mouthwatering barbecue, Lubbock's culinary scene offers a gastronomic adventure for every palate.

 **University Medical Center – Diverse Clinical Experiences:** Experience unparalleled clinical training at University Medical Center (UMC), a premier teaching hospital affiliated with TTUHSC. With state-of-the-art facilities and a commitment to patient-centered care, UMC provides a rich learning environment for aspiring physicians. At UMC, students have access to a diverse range of clinical rotations across specialties such as internal medicine, surgery, obstetrics, and pediatrics. With over 550 beds and a Level I trauma center designation, UMC offers hands-on experience in managing complex medical cases under the guidance of experienced faculty. The UMC system includes a Children’s Hospital and family birth center, along with a center for women’s health, cancer and burn centers.

Here’s what a few Year 3 and Year 4 students have said about their experiences at UMC:

“Training in Lubbock has been incredible. It's so interesting to see the things you studied first and second year come to life in a real patient. I've enjoyed all of my rotations, even ones that I initially dreaded. The residents and attendings all find ways to teach me things that are applicable to my chosen field through theirs.”

“The third and fourth years are very busy here, but I feel that I had plenty of learning opportunities and had a vast array of clinical experiences. The clinical faculty overall are willing to teach and are very accessible to students.”

“The vast majority of the patient-care component of Tech/Lubbock is in clinics here at the HSC or in the attached UMC Hospital. We also see patients at the Covenant hospitals or elsewhere in the community. At no place were the residents or faculty less than wonderful people who obviously enjoy sharing their wisdom and experience with medical students.”

“My period of clinical education in Lubbock has left me grateful for the experience and confident in my preparedness. A few years ago as a preclinical student, I wondered how in four short years I could possibly be a doctor, entrusted with making decisions about real people’s health and lives. As graduation day approaches, however, no doubt or indecision colors my eager anticipation to begin life as a resident.”

“Although I initially requested Lubbock as my clinical campus assignment because of the ease of living here (little traffic, low cost of living, plentiful housing and numerous cultural opportunities), the clinical experience at UMC has been incredible as well. There are always numerous research projects going on and faculty are eager to get you involved, the attendings are excellent teachers, and the residents are as friendly as they are bright. There is an excellent range of patient pathology yet a volume manageable enough that teaching does not suffer as a result. Outside rotations during my fourth year revealed that I had much more "hands-on" experience with making patient care decisions than is typical. Overall, Lubbock is a great place to learn medicine and I would definitely choose it again.”

To find out more about Lubbock please call the Office of Student Affairs at (806) 743-3005.