## History

In 1933, Donglu University initiated specialized program in [medicine](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medicine), which was the origin of today's medical education at the Kunming Medical University (KMU). In 1937, with the development of the program, the School of Medicine was established and affiliated to the Yunnan University that was former Donglu University. In 1956, the School became an independent medical school and was named with Kunming Medical College, and in 1993 it was listed as one of the key higher institutions in the Yunnan province. In 2012, after the evaluation of the Ministry of Education of China, the college was updated to the university level and was renamed with Kunming Medical University. Presently, Kunming Medical University has become the largest specialized medical university in Yunnan province.

## Campus, Organization, Staff

The [university campus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/University_campus) occupies 125.4 [hectares](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hectare). It has about 15,000 students, of which more than 1,400 are graduate students. The University has 6,000 staff, and over 1,150 are professors and associate professors.

The KMU has 13 schools, offering 15 Bachelor's Degree programs, 34 Master's Degree programs, and 1 Doctor's Degree program. It has 5 research institutes, 9 affiliated hospitals, 9 teaching hospitals, 39 practice hospitals, 9 forensic medicine sites, 6 preventive medicine practice sites, 4 pharmaceutical practice sites, and 2 optical practice sites. All of this provides KMU students a stable studying and practicing environment.

With a collection of nearly 100,000 books, the [university library](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/University_library) has been designated as Yunnan's Central Sharing Library Network of National Literature. It is also a First-class Repository for China's Medical and Academic Literature. KMU is a National Clinical Medicine Trial Center, and Yunnan Provincial Expert Testimony Center.

The 9 affiliated hospitals of Kunming Medical University have over 9,800 patient beds. Seven of the Affiliated Hospitals are accredited as Level-A Tertiary General Hospitals of China. The First Affiliated Hospital has over 3,000 outpatients per day and is the largest [general hospital](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hospital#General) in the province. The [Second Affiliated Hospital of Kunming Medical University](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Second_Affiliated_Hospital_of_Kunming_Medical_University) is among the "100 best general hospitals of China" and is the center for both human [organ transplant](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Organ_transplant) and [burn treatment](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Burn_treatment&action=edit&redlink=1) in Yunnan. The Third Affiliated Hospital is the largest specialized [cancer hospital](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Cancer_hospital&action=edit&redlink=1) in the province and houses three provincial [cancer research](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cancer_research) centers. The Affiliated [Stomatology](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stomatology) Hospital has over 100 dental chairs and uses the most advanced technology available. It is the largest specialized Stomatology Hospital in Yunnan.

Yunnan boasts abundant natural resources with that, KMU is carrying on extensive scientific research on Yunnan’s commonly encountered, endemic and frequently encountered diseases, and constantly uses the most advanced technologies for diagnosis and treatment. KMU is involved in several phases of scientific research. This includes basic research, application research and developmental research, involving multiple subjects and multiple specialties. KMU is responsible for large numbers of national and provincial key scientific projects and international cooperation programs. Since 2004, there have been over 800 scientific research won awards on the national and provincial levels, as well as national invention awards, national scientific technology conference awards, and many others. KMU is a leader in the provincial medicine and health field.