

# **How Osteopathy is taught and Regulated in Anglophone and Francophone countries around the world**

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What is the current state of affairs of Osteopathy in Anglophone and Francophone countries around the world?



What steps must be taken to validate the credentials from one country in order to legally practice Osteopathy in another?

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# Countries concerned



# Ease of Integration

Easy

Moderate

Hard



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# Ireland

Studies: 4 years part-time

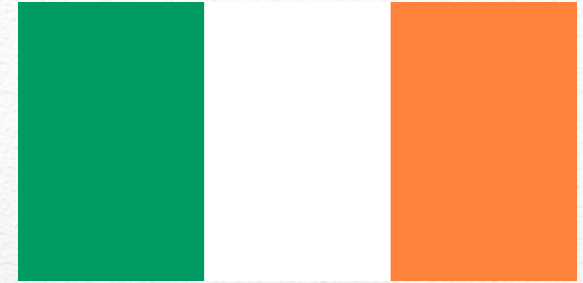
Schools: 1

Professional Associations: 1

Licensing Body: Ø

Integration:

1



# Canada

Studies: variable

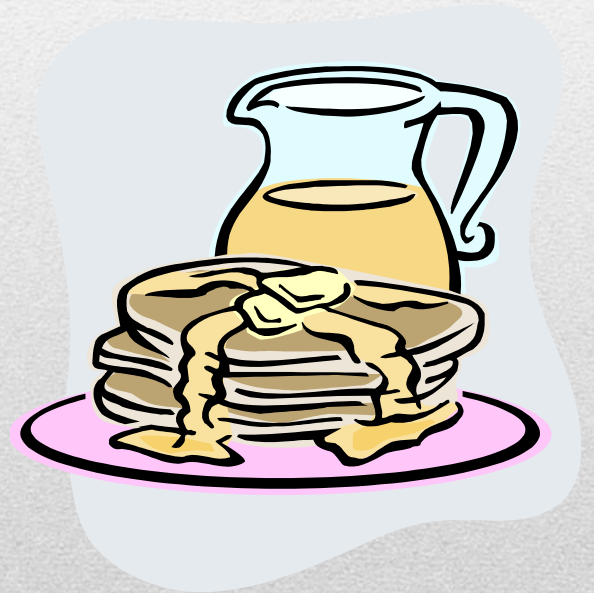
Schools: 15

Professional Associations: 24

Licensing Body: variable

Integration:

2



# France

Studies: variable

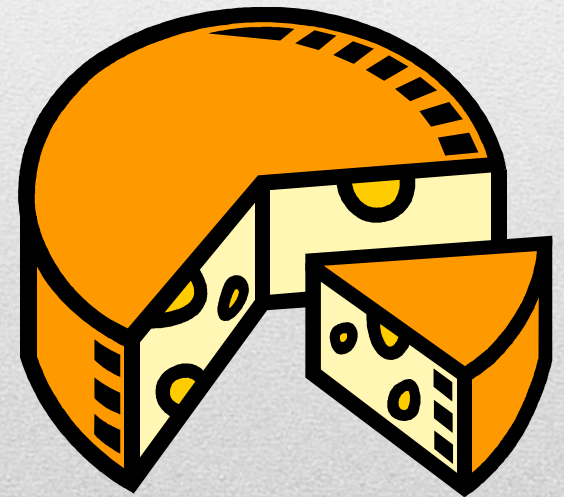
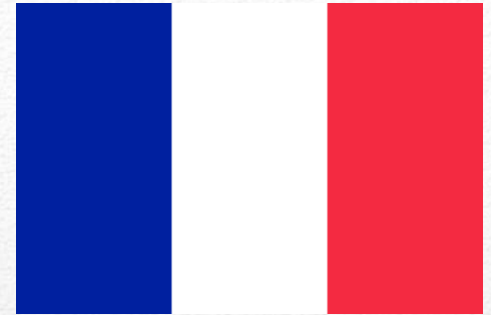
Schools: 57

Professional Associations: 14

Licensing Body: Ø

Integration:

3



# Belgium

Studies: variable

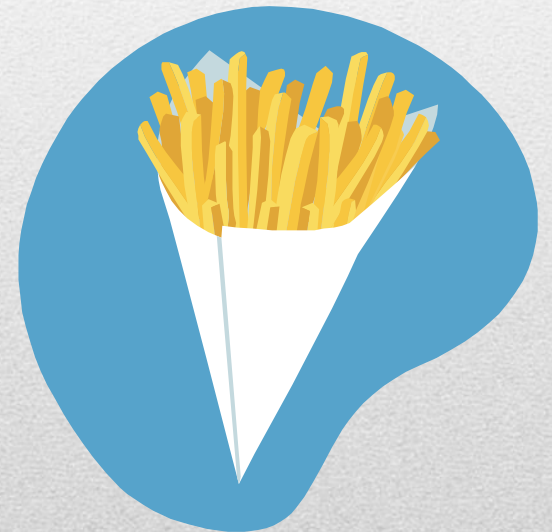
Schools: 5

Professional Associations: 7

Licencing Body: Groupement National  
Représentatif des Professionnels de  
l'Ostéopathie (GNRPO)\*

Integration:

**3?**





# South Africa

Studies: Ø

Schools: 0

Professional Associations: 1

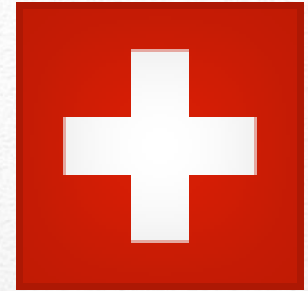
Licencing Body: Allied Health  
Professions Council of South Africa  
(AHPCSA)

Integration:

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# Switzerland



Studies: 5 years full-time

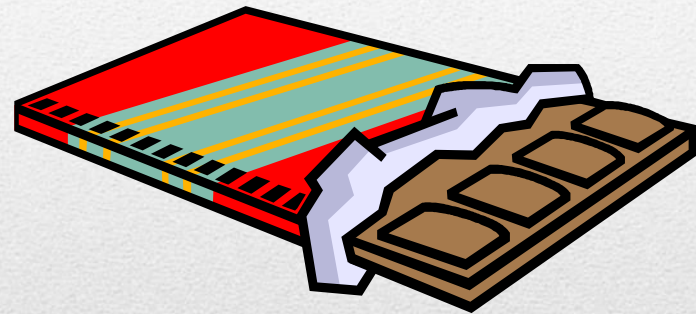
Schools: 1

Professional Associations: 1

Licencing Body: Conférence Suisse des Directrices et Directeurs de la Santé (CDS)

Integration:

5



# United Kingdom

Studies: 4 years full-time -or-  
5 years part-time

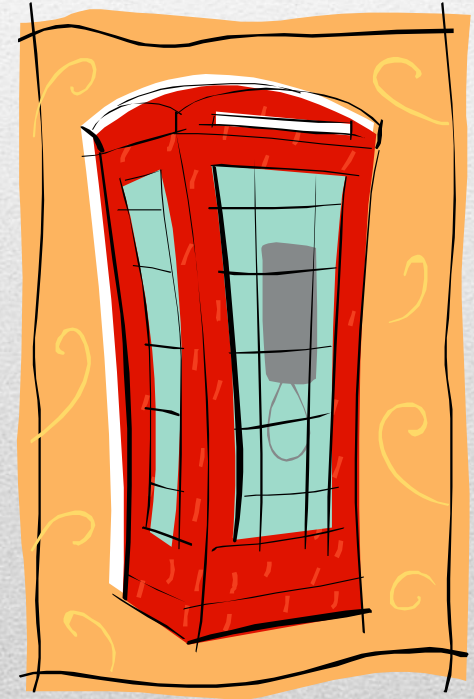
Schools: 11

Professional Associations: 6

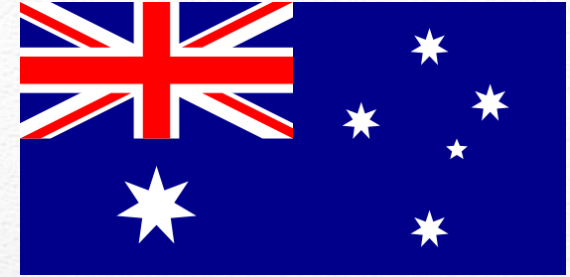
Licencing Body: General Osteopathic  
Council (GOsC)

Integration:

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# Australia



Studies: 5 years full-time

Schools: 3

Professional Associations: 1

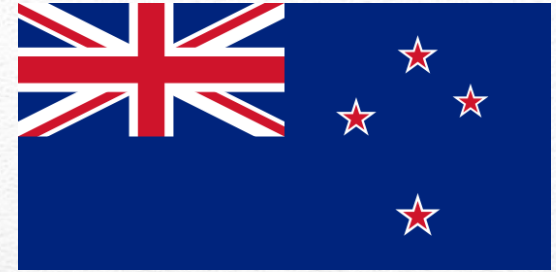
Licencing Body: Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) / Osteopathy Board of Australia (OBA)

Integration:

8



# New Zealand



Studies: 5 years full-time

Schools: 1

Professional Associations: 1

Licencing Body: Osteopathic Council  
of New Zealand (OCNZ)

Integration:

9



# United States



Studies:  $\geq 8$  years full-time

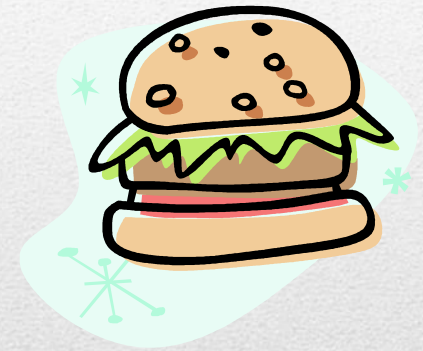
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Professional Associations: 8

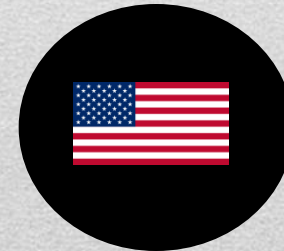
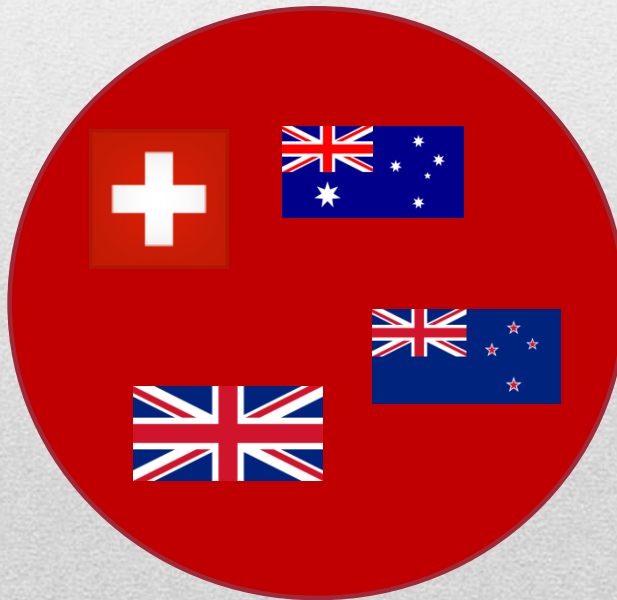
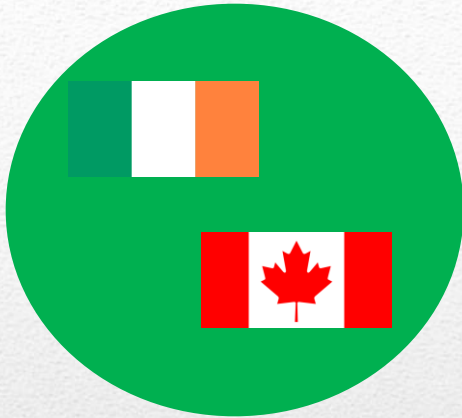
Licensing Body: National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME) / state medical boards

Integration:

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# Synopsis



<b>Country</b>	<b>Licencing body</b>	<b>Schools</b>	<b>Associations</b>	<b>Inhabitants per Osteopath</b>
<b>France</b>	no	57	14	2,987
<b>United States</b>	yes	29	8	4,467
<b>Belgium</b>	*	5	7	7,399
<b>New Zealand</b>	yes	1	1	10,397
<b>Switzerland</b>	yes	1	1	10,400
<b>United Kingdom</b>	yes	11	6	13,232
<b>Australia</b>	yes	3	1	13,590
<b>Canada</b>	no	15	24	28,236
<b>Ireland</b>	no	1	1	36,166
<b>South Africa</b>	yes	0	1	1,038,862





# Questions

