Dr. Edward Goering is an Assistant Professor of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine and Osteopathic Principles and Practices at Western University of Health Sciences, COMP Northwest, Lebanon, Oregon. Before joining COMP, Dr. Goering practiced Family Medicine/Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine for 18 years, including 5 years as a part time Emergency Room physician for Eastmoreland Hospital. Dr Goering was Board Certified in Family Practice and is currently Board Certified in Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine/Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine. During his private practice, Dr. Goering undertook two medical missions to Honduras.

As a full time physician, Dr. Goering delivered compassionate, competent, and holistic care to his patients. He has been an outstanding preceptor to his



students, and a valued colleague to members of COMP faculty. Since joining the faculty at WesternU, he has continued to impart the philosophy of compassionate and holistic care to his students. His enthusiasm and excitement for training future practitioners of osteopathic medicine is always obvious in the classroom and the laboratory. His students admire him for the energy that he brings to the classroom.

While caring for individuals representing many different ethnic, lifestyle, and socioeconomic backgrounds he models the attentive listening and communication skills that result in quality care for the patients and students. Such skills are critical for developing trusting relationships and making patient driven healthcare decisions. In recognition of his contributions to healthcare education, he has received the student driven outstanding professor award in the past.

Dr. Goering was a Veterinary Physician before becoming an Osteopathic Physician. After observing the effects of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine and educating himself about scientific basis of this treatment modality, he decided to explore these medical practices. The science, evidence based medicine and the desire to be a lifelong learner attracted him back to school. He thus became an Osteopathic Physician to provide the care he knew was the best for patients.

Dr. Goering has taught Osteopathic Manipulative Techniques for over 20 years in multiple college settings as well as professional meetings. He is a recognized authority in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine with an emphasis in Jones Strain/Counterstrain, and he continues to provide instructions for the Jones Institute at various places throughout the United States. He has spoken at several state and local Osteopathic Association meetings including Oregon, California, Washington, as well as national meetings of the American Osteopathic Association and the American Academy of Osteopathy. He has been a guest instructor for manual medicine courses for the Japanese Osteopathic Academy periodically since 1994.

As a physician, Dr. Goering always placed his patients first, and now as an educator, his students are a part of that special group. In his gentle style, he guides future physicians in the classroom and mentors them in research projects that will enhance their knowledge base to become competent and compassionate practitioners. For his clinical excellence and compassion, Dr. Goering was selected to receive the Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award.