

Healthcare Program

Description of the Program:

This program helps students examine a variety of healthcare issues affecting medically underserved communities through problem-based learning cases, lectures, clinical experiences, small-group discussions, and a research project. Students will also improve their learning skills and strength their foundation in science. Upon completion of this six-week program, students will be more aware of the urgent need for health care professionals in medically underserved communities and of the educational pathways that lead to providing medical, nursing, and dental health services to underserved populations.

Candidates Sought:

Targeting educationally and financially disadvantaged community college students who will have the opportunity to meet and work with other students whose interests in health professions parallel their own. Student will also have the chance to work with expert faculty and staff who are eager to mentor students and share knowledge in their individual fields. Looking to develop future leaders that will change the face of medicine, nursing, and dentistry as well as improve health care delivery, policy and research in underserved communities.

Requirements of All Applicants:

- Be currently enrolled college freshman or sophomore
- Have a minimum overall GPA of 2.5
- Be a U.S. citizen, a permanent resident, or an individual granted deferred action for childhood arrivals (DACA) status by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
- Have not participated in the program

Other Factors that are Considered Include that a Student:

- Identifies with a group that is racially/ethnically underrepresented in the health professions
- Comes from an economically or educationally disadvantaged background
- Has a demonstrated interest in issues affecting underserved populations
- Submits a compelling personal statement, diversity essay, and strong letters of recommendation