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Summer Health Professions Education Program

Building a Culture of Health

The Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP)* offers an educational opportunity for first- and second-year college students interested in exploring a career in the health professions. The program's focus is on increasing diversity of health professionals. The career tracks include dentistry, medicine, nursing, optometry, pharmacy, physical therapy, physician assistant, and public health.

Apply today and start building a successful career in the health professions.

Working Together Across an Array of Health Professions

SHPEP scholars are able to:

- Recognize how others' skills and knowledge complement and overlap with their own.
- Identify the benefits of the interprofessional team approach for patients, health care professionals, family members, communities, and health systems.

* Formerly Summer Medical and Dental Education Program (SMDEP).

Visit shpep.org to learn more about the SHPEP summer experience.

It's a summer opportunity that lasts a lifetime!



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SHPEP is a **FREE** six-week academic summer enrichment program for first-year and sophomore college students interested in the health professions, including:

- Dentistry
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Physical therapy
- Physician assistant
- Public health



To be eligible for SHPEP, an applicant must:

- Be a first-year or sophomore college student.
- Have an 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.

Other factors for consideration include that a student:

- Identifies with a group that is racially or ethnically underrepresented in the health professions.
- Comes from an economically or educationally disadvantaged background.
- Has demonstrated an interest in issues affecting underserved populations.

Application opens*
Nov. 1

Application deadline
Feb. 5

**Application dates are subject to change. Please visit shpep.org for the most up-to-date information.*

CONTACT INFORMATION

To register and obtain additional information, visit shpep.org or call the national program office toll-free at **866-587-6337**.



Participating SHPEP Institutions*

Columbia University
Howard University
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) - Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science
University of Florida
University of Iowa
University of Louisville
University of Nebraska Medical Center
University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
University of Washington
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