

Summer Opportunities

Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP)

Program Description

SHPEP is a free summer enrichment program focused on improving access to information and resources for college students interested in the health professions.

Eligibility requirements

- Must be currently enrolled as a freshman or sophomore in college.
- Have a minimum overall college 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.

Website: www.shpep.org

Texas A&M Summer Pre-Dental Enrichment Program (SPEP)

Program Description

SPEP Collegiate II is a six-week program which provides college and post-college students an opportunity to prepare for and successfully take the DAT, strengthen their academic science background, and learn more about the field of dental medicine.

Eligibility Requirements

- Have completed 60 credit hours by the end of spring 2020.
- Have completed 8 hours of general chemistry, biology, and organic chemistry by spring 2020
- Have a min. GPA 2.75
- Be U.S. citizen or permanent resident

Website: <https://dentistry.tamhsc.edu/student-development/spep-programs/collegiate2.html>

DeBakey Summer Surgery Program

Program Description

Baylor COM Michael E. DeBakey SSP familiarizes the student with hospital and operating room environments as well as time management skills. Students selected for this eight-week program

will be assigned to a surgery faculty mentor from the following surgical services: General Surgery, Plastic Surgery, Pediatric Surgery, Vascular Surgery, or Cardiothoracic Surgery.

Eligibility Requirements

- Currently enrolled undergraduate, pre-medical, college student interested in pursuing a medical career, preferably sophomores or rising juniors.
- There is no minimum amount of college hours or GPA requirement need to apply to the program.
- Participants will be responsible for housing, meals, and transportation expenses needed throughout the duration of the program

Website: <https://www.bcm.edu/departments/surgery/education/students/summer-surgery-program>

University of the Incarnate Word Summer Optometry Institute (SOI)

Program Description

The SOI is a program designed to familiarize first-generation and underrepresented minority pre-health and pre-optometry students with the professional surroundings of optometry school while developing their interest and drive to succeed within the profession.

Website: <https://optometry.uiw.edu/admissions/summer-optometry-institute.html>

This is not an exhaustive list of summer opportunities for student considering health profession careers. Please speak with a Health Profession Advisor about other programs that may be available.