

HEALTH CAREERS PROGRAM

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

About Us

The Health Careers Program of Spelman College was initiated in 1971 to advance more and better-qualified young women into the professional and allied health professional schools of medicine, dentistry, osteopathy, optometry, podiatry, pharmacy, veterinary medicine, and graduate health programs. Since 1970, the College has been successful in assisting well over 800 of its students in gaining admission to many prestigious professional and allied health professional institutions.

The program serves as a repository of information. We coordinate visits to healthcare facilities and professional schools, schedule on-campus visits for lectures and recruitment personnel, and assist students in identifying facilities where they may participate in academic enrichment/research activities during the academic years and summers. The Health Careers Program provides students with additional opportunities.



This newsletter offers valuable insights into the Health Careers Program, featuring upcoming events, summer programs, and various opportunities to enhance your pre-health career. Thank you for your engagement with the Health Careers Program!

Upcoming Events



**Nov
1**

Call for Abstracts for the 37th Annual Dr. Curtis L. Parker Student Research Symposium

The research symposium is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2025. Students are invited to submit an abstract for consideration for an oral or poster presentation. More information linked.



**Nov
5**

Peer Mentor Session

Calling all first-years and sophomores! These group sessions are designed for students to hear from trained upperclassman some tips to be successful at Spelman on their pre-health journey. This event begins at 11:00 AM.



**Nov
7**

Lunch and Learn - University of Wisconsin RUSCH

Interested in getting accepted to a graduate or professional school early? Learn more about the University of Wisconsin RUSCH program at 12:00 pm in Science Center room 134. RSVP with the QR code.



**Nov
7**

Lunch and Learn - UConn Health

Interested in getting accepted to a graduate or professional school early? Learn more about the program with the University of Connecticut at 12:00 via zoom RSVP with the QR code.



**Nov
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Rutgers School of Medicine in Collaboration with Morehouse School of Medicine

Are you a New Jersey resident or interested in attending Rutgers School of Medicine? Come network with representatives of the institution at 5 pm. RSVP with the QR code.



**Nov
9**

AAMC 2024 Diversifying the Next Generation of Doctors: Career Fair and Workshops!

This event is designed for students, interested in careers in medicine and biomedical sciences, and it is free for all attendees. The AAMC, a nonprofit association, supports 154 accredited U.S. medical schools and numerous academic health systems, aiming to enhance health through education, research, and community collaboration. More information [here](#). Register with the QR code.





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**Nov
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Carle Illinois College of Medicine Networking

Are you from Illinois and interested in attending this reception? Come meet admissions representatives and register using the QR code.



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**Nov
21**

Lunch and Learn - RUSH Nursing

Interested in getting accepted to a graduate or professional school early? Find out more about RUSH School of Nursing at . This event is virtual via zoom at 12:00 PM. RSVP with the QR code.



**Nov
21**

Lunch and Learn - Georgetown Biomedical Graduate Education

Interested in getting accepted to a graduate or professional school early? Find out more about Georgetown Biomedical Graduate Education Program. This event is virtual via zoom at 12:00 PM. RSVP with the QR code.



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AAMC Fair

Schools in attendance:

Arizona

- University of Arizona College of Medicine

California

- Kaiser Permanente School of Medicine
- Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California
- Stanford University School of Medicine
- University of California, Davis, School of Medicine
- University of California, Los Angeles David Geffen School of Medicine

Connecticut

- Yale School of Medicine

District of Columbia

- George Washington University School of Medicine & Health Sciences
- Georgetown University School of Medicine

Florida

- Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine
- Florida State University College of Medicine

Illinois

- Carle Illinois College of Medicine
- Northwestern University The Feinberg School of Medicine
- University of Chicago Division of the Biological Sciences The Pritzker School of Medicine
- University of Illinois College of Medicine

Iowa

- University of Iowa Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine

Maryland

- Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences F. Edward Hebert School of Medicine

Massachusetts

- University of Massachusetts T.H. Chan School of Medicine

Michigan

- Michigan State University College of Human Medicine
- Wayne State University School of Medicine
- Western Michigan University Homer Stryker School of Medicine

Minnesota

- Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine

Missouri

- Saint Louis University School of Medicine
- University of Missouri-Columbia School of Medicine
- Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine

Nebraska

- Creighton University School of Medicine
- University of Nebraska College of Medicine

New Hampshire

- Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth

New Jersey

- Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine
- Rutgers, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

New York

- Albert Einstein College of Medicine
- Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell
- Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University College of Medicine



AAMC Fair

Schools in attendance:

North Carolina

- Duke University School of Medicine

North Dakota

- University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences

Ohio

- Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine
- The Ohio State Medical School
- The University of Toledo College of Medicine and Life Sciences
- University of Cincinnati College of Medicine

Pennsylvania

- Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine
- Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania

Puerto Rico

- Ponce Health Sciences University
- San Juan Bautista School of Medicine

South Carolina

- Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine

Tennessee

- Thomas F. Frist, Jr. College of Medicine at Belmont University
- University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Medicine
- Vanderbilt University School of Medicine

Texas

- Anne Burnett Marion School of Medicine at TCU
- McGovern Medical School at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
- Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Paul L. Foster School of Medicine (el Paso)
- University of Texas Medical Branch John Sealy School of Medicine
- University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine
- University of Texas Southwestern Medical School

Vermont

- Robert Larner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont

Virginia

- Eastern Virginia Medical School
- Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine

Washington

- University of Washington School of Medicine
- Washington State University Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine

Wisconsin

- Medical College of Wisconsin
- University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health

Associations and Related Groups

- Association of American Medical Colleges
- Association of Native American Medical Students
- National Association of Advisors for the Health Professions
- National Hispanic Medical Association
- Prehealth Shadowing
- Sneakers to Scrubs
- Summer Health Professions Education Program
- U.S. Army - Health Professions Scholarship Program



How to navigate the AAMC Fair

Equally important as attending the fair is arriving with a clear plan of action. Having a plan of action allows you to stay organized, set goals, manage your time effectively, and have more confidence in yourself and networking abilities.

Step 1: Create a Clear Plan of Action Before the Fair

- **Research:** Check the health fair's website and the or promotional materials to see which schools or associations will be at the fair.
- **Make a List:** Identify specific schools with programs that interest you.

Step 2: Arrive Early

- **Timing:** Get there early to avoid for and ensure you have enough time to explore all booths and activities.
- **Map Out:** Grab a map of the fair if available, and plan your route to the booths you want to visit.

Step 3: Engage with Vendors

- **Ask Questions:** Don't hesitate to ask health professionals questions about their services, products, and advice.
- **Take Notes:** Jot down important information, especially if you receive recommendations or resources for follow-up.

Step 4: Participate in Activities

- **Screenings and Workshops:** Take advantage of free screenings and attend workshops or demonstrations to learn more about health topics.
- **Interactive Booths:** Engage with interactive booths for a fun way to learn about health and wellness.

Step 5: Follow Up

- **Be sure to follow up** with any networking
- **Plan Next Steps:** If you find services or resources you want to pursue, note them down and schedule follow-up appointments or actions as needed.

By following these steps, you'll make the most of your experience at the health fair!



Summer Program Opportunities

Pittsburgh Undergraduate Diversity Research Program

- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- 8-10 weeks
- Networking events
- Hands-on lab experiences
- Stipend

Cancer Research Immersion Student Program (CRISP)

- 8 weeks
- Stipend included
- Mentorship in cancer Research
- MCAT and GRE workshops

Bluford Healthcare Leadership Institute

- scholars participate in a two week overview to healthcare leadership and policies from leading executives in the field.
- Phase II, a 10 to 12 week paid internship with housing
- Stipend included

Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP)

- Minimum 2.5 GPA
- Currently enrolled as a freshman, sophomore, or junior in college.
- Has demonstrated an interest in issues affecting underserved populations.
- Submits a compelling personal statement and a strong letter of recommendation.
- Stipend included



Summer Program Opportunities

AGA-Aman Armaan Ahmed Family SURF for Success Program

- 10 weeks
- Stipend included
- Gastroenterology and hepatology focused

Morehouse School of Medicine HCEP program

- Four-week summer research session
- Classification: Junior, Senior, or Post-Bac
- GPA Minimum: 3.0
- Stipend included
- Interest: Health Career
- Interview: Required

Summer Undergraduate Internship Program (SUIP)

- 10 weeks
- Matched with principal investigator
- Professional development workshops
- Graduate school preparation seminars
- Laboratory work
- Stipend included

Yale Summer Enrichment Medical Academy

- 6 weeks
- Stipend included
- Improve success in upper-division science courses
- Medical workshops



Post-Bacc & Gap Year Opportunities

[Duke University School of Medicine](#)

The Duke University School of Medicine offers an innovative full-time 10-month professional master's degree: the Master of Biomedical Sciences program. This program prepares students to be highly competitive candidates for medicine, related health professions, and other biomedical careers. The curriculum integrates graduate level human biological sciences with skill development in critical thinking, communication and teamwork.

[Drexel University College of Medicine \(MCAT Required\)](#)

The Drexel University College of Medicine delivers an extensive 2 year Master of Science in Biomedical Studies degree. This degree enables students to enhance their skills and deepen their knowledge. It provides insight into the coursework typical of medical school and helps students prepare for the MCAT. Applicants are required to submit their MCAT scores as part of the application process.

[Rutgers School of Graduate Studies Health Sciences Campus - Newark](#)

This program gives students the opportunity to take professional school classes, gain clinical experience, and receive one-on-one academic advisement. It is both on-site and online, and can be either 12 or 24 months, depending if you partake in the pre-medical, pre-dental, or biomedical research track. All standardized test scores, GRE, MCAT, and DAT are optional to submit and admissions are on a rolling bases.

[Southern Illinois University School of Medicine](#)

The Southern Illinois University School of Medicine offers a one year program where upon completion students receive a Master's Degree in Biomedical Sciences (BMS) degree. This program enhances students' skills for the MCAT through a variety of courses, particularly within the MEDPREP program, which is designed for those preparing for medical and dental school.

The titles of programs are clickable!



Post-Bacc Gap Year Opportunities

[Wright State University Pre-Med Studies Advanced Undergraduate Certificate](#)

Wright State University offers a program designed for motivated undergraduate students eager to pursue careers in medicine, dentistry, and other healthcare fields. The program features a two-year Core Studies option and a one-year Advanced Studies option. Upon completion, students are awarded a post-baccalaureate certificate in pre-medical studies.

[Georgetown University Special Master's Program in Physiology and Biophysics](#)

The Georgetown University Special Master's Program equips students to enhance their competitiveness for medical school. Participants are introduced to medical school coursework at the Georgetown School of Medicine. The program is one-year in duration and upon completion participants receive a Masters of Science in Physiology and Biophysics.

[Barry University Masters of Science in Biomedical Science](#)

Barry University College of Health and Wellness offers a rigorous 12-month (three-semester) program designed to prepare dedicated students on the dental or medical track. The school emphasizes strong academic performance in undergraduate science prerequisites and advanced science coursework. Upon completing the program, students earn a Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences degree.

[Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science](#)

Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science offers a 10-month program that culminates in a Master of Science degree in Biomedical Sciences. This program enhances students' competitiveness as applicants and introduces them to coursework at the medical school level. Also, it provides valuable insights into the medical field, helping students develop the necessary skills and knowledge for their future careers in healthcare.

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Post-Bacc Gap Year Opportunities

[Morehouse School of Medicine APEX and Masters of Science in Medical Sciences \(MSMS\) Degree Programs](#)

The Academically Prepared for EXcellence (APEX) program is a post-undergraduate pathway to Morehouse School of Medicine. This is a 10 week program for economically disadvantaged students, to prepare them for medical school. The MSMS degree program aims to enhance students' qualifications for medical school by offering advanced courses and MCAT prep. Upon completion participants receive a Master of Science in Medical Sciences Degree.

[Philadelphia College of Medicine Philadelphia, PA and Suwanee, GA Campuses](#)

The Philadelphia College of Medicine offers a Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences program. This program is targeted towards students interested in medical, biotechnological, research and clinical applications, with a focus on whole-person health. Its main goal is to aid students with skills to be successful in medical school or other scientific careers. Upon completion, students will receive a Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences Degree.

[The Ohio State University College of Medicine MEDPATH Program](#)

This program is a one-year medical careers pathway post baccalaureate program (MEDPATH). The main purpose is to enhance the number of students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds who graduate from medical school. To apply to this program, you must apply through the AMCAS application. Once submitted, the MEDPATH application is available by invitation only to those who meet specific criteria for qualification.

[George Mason University and Georgetown University Medical Center](#)

The Advanced Biomedical Sciences (ABS) graduate certificate program is offered jointly between George Mason University and Georgetown University Medical Center. Its duration is nine months and is a graduate-level program that prepares students to become more competitive for health professional schools like medical or dental. Students also receive guidance on improving their MCAT. The program can be offered both on site and virtual.

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In Case you missed it:

Intro to Health Science:

University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine representative Dr. Rhonda White and University of Pittsburgh School of Health Sciences representative Dr. Gauvine pictured with Dr. Bass



RSO Recaps:

Alpha Epsilon Delta (AED):

completed a community service at Medshare



Spelman Pre-Nursing Interest Group:



MAPS:

Presented a clinical demonstrations table

