

# SUMMER HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION PROGRAM (SHPEP)

Formerly the Summer Medical Dental Education Program (SMDEP)

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SUMMER HEALTH PROFESSIONS  
EDUCATION PROGRAM

Shaping Careers. Changing Lives.

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## SHPEP Goals

- strengthen the academic proficiency and career development of students underrepresented in the health professions
- prepare them for a successful application and matriculation to health professions schools



## 13 Program Sites

<http://www.shpep.org/sites/>

- Columbia University
- Howard University
- Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center – New Orleans
- Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
- University of Alabama, Birmingham
- UCLA and Charles R. Drew University
- University of Florida
- University of Iowa
- University of Louisville
- University of Nebraska
- University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston
- **University of Washington**
- Western University of Health Sciences

## 8 Health Professions

- **Dental** (All 13 programs)
- **Medicine** (All 13 programs)
- **Nursing** (Columbia, Howard, Rutgers, UCLA, Nebraska, UT – Houston)
- **Optometry** (Alabama, Western U)
- **Pharmacy** (Howard, Rutgers, Florida, Iowa, Louisville)
- **Physical Therapy** (Columbia, Western U)
- **Physician Assistant** (Alabama, Nebraska)
- **Public Health** (Louisiana State, Florida, Iowa, Nebraska, UT – Houston, UW)

### Filters

#### Regions

- Midatlantic
- Midwest
- Northeast
- Pacific
- Southeast
- Southwest

#### Program Types

- Dental
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Physical Therapy
- Physician Assistant
- Public Health

#### Start Dates

- June
- May

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## SHPEP Catchment Area by US Region

Program Site	US Region	States
Columbia	Northeast	ME, VT, NH, NY, MA, RI, CT
New Jersey, Howard	Mid Atlantic	DC, PA, NJ, MD, DE, WV, VA
Alabama, Florida, Louisville	Southeast	KY, TN, NC, SC, MS, AL, GA, FL, PR, VI
Iowa	Great Lakes	MN, WI, IL, IN, MI, OH
Nebraska	Central Plains	ND, SD, NE, IA, CO, KS, MO
Louisiana, UT-Houston	Southwest	NM, OK, TX, AR, LA
Washington	Pacific/Rocky Mountain	WA, OR, ID, MT, WY, AK
UCLA/Drew, Western	Pacific	CA, NV, UT, AZ, HI, Guam, American Samoa, Northern Mariana Islands

## Overview of the Summer Health Professions Education Program



- Formerly SMDEP
- **Free** 6 week **residential** summer career-enrichment program
- All students are provided housing in UW dormitories
- Meal plans are provided to all students
- \$600 stipend distributed in 2 installments
- Travel Assistance for round trip airfare or car travel from 50+ miles away is available.

## Eligibility

- be a U.S. citizen, a permanent resident, or have (DACA) status granted by USCIS
- be a college freshman or sophomore at the time of application
- have a minimum GPA of 2.5
- have not previously participated in the program



## Candidates Sought



- The UW SHPEP is actively targeting freshmen and sophomore students who are currently attending community college or 4-year college/university, and are from underrepresented and educationally or financially disadvantaged communities.

## SHPEP @ the UW

- Enrichment courses in: biology, microbiology, chemistry, organic chemistry, biostatistics, physics, and population health
- A curriculum designed to increase awareness and knowledge of the social determinants of health and healthcare disparities



## SHPEP @ the UW



- It is best suited for students completing their freshman year of college who are about to take foundational science courses or those who have taken them already and feel that they could use some additional help mastering these subjects.

## SHPEP @ the UW



- Medical and dental clinical simulation experiences
- Emergency department shadowing opportunities
- Individualized shadowing experiences with biomedical, public health and social science researchers

## SHPEP @ the UW



### **Career development sessions**

- exploration of the health professions,
- the admissions process,
- the development of an academic plan

## Social Activities



- Sponsored dinners
- July 4th picnic and fireworks
- Hiking at Mt. Rainier National Park
- Community celebrations (SeaFair, PowWow, PRIDE parade)



## Essay 1: Personal Statement



- Why are you interested in your preferred health profession(s)?
- What motivates you to learn more about your preferred health profession(s)?
- What do you want program sites to know about you that has not been disclosed in another part of the application



## Essay 2: Diversity



- SHPEP seeks individuals who are interested in the goals of advancing diversity in the health professions, reducing health care disparities, and/or improving health care for all. Please share something about you and your professional goals that aligns with the above goals of SHPEP.

## Application Process



- Online applications open Dec. 1, 2017
- Application Deadline March 1, 2018
- **PRIORITY DEADLINE February 1, 2018**

Apply at [shpep.org](http://shpep.org)



**We hope you will join us!**



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## More Questions?



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