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A Gentleman & A Scholar Mentoring Program™



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A Lady & A Scholar Mentoring Program



Dr. Crystal N. Johnson

**MUSC Surgery Resident
First Female Program Mentor
&
Program Director**

August 30, 2013

To the Perspective Program Participant:

The Student Mentors for Minorities in Medicine (SM³) is a mentoring program designed to assist young minority juniors and seniors in high school and college students prepare for a health professions career. Health care is a great career option for young adults, which affords opportunities to serve our communities. While there has been an increase in minorities entering medical, dental, and pharmacy school, some minority students continue to have difficulty achieving their career goals. These difficulties may be attributed to grades, lack of mentorship, and unfamiliarity with the requirements for the health professions.

The SM³ program is a new initiative that was inspired by the “A Gentleman and A Scholar Mentoring Program” (G&S), which was created in 2007 by a group of African-American male medical students at the Medical University of South Carolina. The program also includes under-represented in medicine female individuals with the inaugural year for “A Lady and A Scholar Mentoring Program.” The primary goal of SM³ is the recruitment and mentorship of young under-represented in medicine (African-American, Native-American and Hispanic) college and high school students who are interested in the health professions.

The SM³ program will provide the mentees with a competitive advantage through various endeavors. These include: clinical shadowing experiences, exposure to various summer science programs, workshops/seminars and academic preparation where needed. To that end, each mentee is paired with a medical student who serves as their primary mentor. This allows them to develop interpersonal skills, while also having someone available to provide insight.

The SM³ Program is a synergistic attempt for Medical University of South Carolina under-represented in medicine students to give back and provide guidance to fellow minority students who share the desire to seek a degree in health care. We strongly believe that we can and will collectively increase the number of minorities who successfully gain entrance into the health care field of their choice through our collective efforts.

Sincerely,

Peomia Chela Brown

Peomia Chela Brown, President
Student Mentors for Minorities in Medicine
MUSC College of Medicine Class of 2015

Program Description

The **STUDENT MENTORS FOR MINORITIES IN MEDICINE (SM³)** is a mentoring program consisting of a series of monthly large group sessions that will include focused discussions on topics relevant to pursuing a career in the health professions. The sessions/workshops will also include the following:

Professional Development and Etiquette Training
Mock Interview Workshops
Physician Workshop Lecture Series
College and Medical School Recruitment Fair
Exposure to Summer Programs for Academic Enrichment
Summer Research Opportunities
SAT / MCAT Prep
Various Academic Enrichment / Study Groups
Academic Tutoring
Opportunities for Clinical Experience
Exposure to the numerous facets of health care, i.e. public health, health care policy
Community Service – Health Care Initiatives
Health Professional Networking Opportunity
Focus Group Discussions for Self-Esteem and Confidence Building Development
Social Activities
Visits to local colleges and health professional institutions
Professional Dress and Decorum Workshops
One-on-One Mentoring Experience
Development and Enhancement of Public Speaking
Development and Enhancement of Time Management Skills

Program Requirements

1. Must have an interest in medicine
2. Must maintain good academic standing at respective institution
3. Must attend all scheduled activities and events
4. Must notify your personal mentor via phone prior to scheduled event if unable to attend event
5. Must maintain a high level of professionalism and decorum at scheduled events
6. Must submit mid-term and final grades to program director via unofficial transcript
7. Must submit program evaluations at the end of the semester

Note: Non-compliance with these program requirements and guidelines can constitute dismissal from the program.

STUDENT MENTORS FOR MINORITIES IN MEDICINE PROGRAM

Medical University of South Carolina
67 President Street, Suite 547 North
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Attn: Ms. E'lisha Simmons, MPA
Manager of Recruitment & Diversity Education
Email: simmonac@musc.edu

Deadline: **Friday, October 4, 2013 (Must be received by this date)**
Participant Notification: **Friday, October 11, 2013**
Please send ALL materials: Completed & signed application, essay and letter
of recommendation to the address listed above.

PROGAM OF INTEREST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Medicine Track (MD) | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy | <input type="checkbox"/> Physician Assistant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dental | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Therapy |

PERSONAL DATA

Name: _____

Permanent home address:

Local phone number/cell: _____

Permanent home phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

DEMOGRAPHICS

Birth Date: _____

Age: _____

Gender: Male _____ Female _____

Ethnicity:

African-American _____
Hispanic _____
Native-American _____
Bi-racial _____ (Specify) _____
Other _____

School you currently attend:

High School _____ Grade Level _____
College: _____ Classification: _____
Expected date of graduation: _____

EDUCATIONAL DATA

List all colleges / universities at which you have taken courses for credit:

Name of school, location (City, State, Zip), and dates attended:

Major(s) (and minor if applicable):

TEST INFORMATION

GPA: _____ **Submit a copy of your transcript with this application.**

Scholastic Test Results (if taken):

ACT Score: _____ SAT I Score: _____ PSAT Score: _____

CHARACTER QUESTIONS

Have you ever been suspended from high school or was placed on probation in college?
(If yes, please explain.)

ACADEMIC HONORS

Briefly list any honors or relevant achievements:

Extracurricular and Volunteer Activities:

ESSAY

What are your future goals and how do you plan on achieving those goals?

(Limit 500 words. Please attach)

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Please submit one letter of recommendation from a high school guidance counselor, teacher, church leader, or community leader showing support of your interest in medicine and becoming a physician. (Please send letter sealed from author)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please submit application by email or mail to

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