

The University of North Carolina Department of Emergency Medicine Scholarship for Under-Represented Minority Providers in Emergency Medicine

Introduction

The University of North Carolina Department of Emergency Medicine in conjunction with the UNC School of Medicine endeavors to promote and sustain a training environment that embraces diversity of race, gender, ethnicity, and geographic origin. Emergency Medicine as a specialty serves all people and we support a work force in emergency medicine that reflects the diversity of our patient population.

Definition

We use as our starting point the AAMC definition of underrepresented communities: "those racial and ethnic populations that are underrepresented in the medical population." We also include persons in the LGBTQ community and persons who have shown commitment to serving in underserved communities.

Program Description

Scholarship recipients will complete a 4-week Acting Internship in Emergency Medicine with us. The Acting Internship will include clinical shifts at the UNC and WakeMed in Raleigh Emergency Departments, Emergency Medicine hands-on and didactic resident lecture series, and opportunities to meet with leadership in the Emergency Medicine residency at UNC. The goal is to provide a robust EM experience and an opportunity to explore Emergency Medicine residency at UNC for fourth year students interested in a career in Emergency Medicine.

The scholarships are awarded on a rolling basis and applicants will be notified of final decisions when the selection process is complete. Four scholarships are offered in total each year from August through

November. Scholarships will be awarded starting in April of each year. The award is \$1500 to be used to offset travel, lodging, food, and other educational expenses related to the acting internship.

Requirements

To qualify for the scholarship, applicants must apply for the UNC Acting Internship in Emergency Medicine (EM 401) via VSAS on the AAMC website and be accepted into the clerkship rotation. Students must submit the scholarship application, as well as:

- Be enrolled in an MD or DO US medical school program (LCME Accredited Institution)
- Be enrolled for 4th year during the year of the acting internship
- Have completed 3rd year core clerkship prior to the AI
- Have a record of good academic standing
- Have a Step 1 minimum score of 215 or Step 2 minimum score of 220
- Be from an underrepresented group in medicine and/or have shown a commitment to serve and willingness to work in an underserved community

How to Apply

Students who are interested should apply for EM 401, Acting Internship in Emergency Medicine at UNC through VSAS. They should also contact Kari Corker at Kari Corker@med.unc.edu for a scholarship application. The application requires:

- Completed application form
- A current CV
- Copy of medical school transcripts
- Copy of Step 1 and Step 2 (if completed) score reports

Available blocks range between August and November. Decisions will be made on a rolling basis. We encourage interested candidates to apply early, as available spots are limited.