

PORTER SCHOLARS IN MEDICINE PROGRAM

"Inspiring a new generation of diverse doctors"



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Porter Scholars in Medicine Program (PSMP) was created through a partnership between the University of Louisville/Norton Children's Hospital Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine (UL PEM) and the Woodford R. Porter Scholarship program. The goals of this program are to build connections with students, provide increased clinical exposure, advice and guidance regarding career selection as well as information about the medical training and application process, and general support for students awarded the Woodford R. Porter Scholarship.

Named after the first African-American trustee at the University of Louisville, the Woodford R. Porter Scholarship program serves to provide academic, personal, and professional support to recipients. Created in 1984, the Porter Scholarship is the largest Black scholarship organization at the University of Louisville. By providing robust mentorship and educational experiences to Porter Scholars who are interested in a career as a physician, the PSMP program aims to increase the number of students who matriculate to medical school.

OBJECTIVES

- Show undergraduate students what a career in medicine involves through activities designed to highlight clinical thinking, teamwork/ communication skills and the daily life of a physician
- Provide physician mentorship to encourage students who wish to pursue a career in medicine
- Outline the process of medical school application and introduce life as a medical student
- Explore and develop requisite skills for physicians including communication, grit and resilience

APPLICATIONS

Applications are accepted on Engage at the start of the Fall semester. Eligible students must be a current Porter Scholars with a minimum 3.0 gpa.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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PROGRAMMING

Study Skills

What's in a Major

Time Management

Networking

Resiliency & Grit

Dope White Coats:
Doctor Spotlight

Doctors of Tomorrow:
Medical School Student
Spotlights

Good Trouble: Health &
Social Justice

Making A Connection:
Getting to Know Alumni
Take Care: Self-Care,
Mental Health & Wellness

Conquering the Medical
School Application

Book Club

Keepin' The Connection:
Getting to Know Alumni

The Med School
Experience: Student
National Medical
Association (SNMA) Panel

Building a Resume/CV

COMPONENTS

Clinical Experiences

Clinical experience is a vital part of the medical school application. In this program, students will have an opportunity to participate in various clinical experiences with pediatric emergency medicine faculty including:

- Simulation
- Ultrasound
- Shadowing

Mentorship

Students will participate in small team based mentoring with pediatric emergency faculty and current medical students to help guide their premed path.

Personal & Professional Development

The Porter Scholarship Program in collaboration with the Alumni Office, Career Center, and the School of Medicine will host bi-monthly programming aimed at personal and professional growth. Topics to include study skills, health and social justice, networking, resiliency, cv/resume building and time management.

Medical School Admission Prep

Students will interact with UofL School of Medicine Admissions staff, faculty and students to learn the ins and outs of medical school. Areas of focus include application prep, funding, curriculum and the student experience.