VISITING 4TH YEAR SCHOLARSHIP TO UVA’S ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY DEPARTMENT.

We are proud to offer up to three $1000.00 scholarships to help offset the costs of travel & housing for highly qualified medical students who wish to do a visiting surgical ACE at UVA during the months of August through November and whose backgrounds, interests or goals will bring diverse experiences and perspectives to UVA’s Orthopaedic Surgery Department.

About the Scholarship
The purpose of this scholarship is to provide medical students the opportunity to experience what it is like to live and work in Charlottesville, while experiencing firsthand our Department’s inclusive culture and welcoming environment. This ACE experience will hopefully encourage students to consider a career in Orthopaedic Surgery, enhance students’ awareness of opportunities in academic medicine and provide them with specific mentoring and networking opportunities. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to meet with the Program Directors and our Chair.

Students will rotate for four weeks. Two weeks on a primarily inpatient service (Trauma, Adult Reconstruction or Spine) and two weeks on a primarily outpatient service (Foot & Ankle, Hand or Sports Medicine.) Pediatrics can be inpatient or outpatient.

Students rotating on Orthopaedic Surgery will receive an email from a resident liaison prior to the start of the rotation with details about the rotation including the assigned subspecialty service and the housestaff on that service. Students should contact the listed housestaff to obtain more information about where and when to meet as well as the student’s expectations. Rotations start on Monday morning, and if not instructed otherwise, students should report to the 1st Floor of the University Hospital Moss Auditorium at 6:15AM for Fracture Conference.

Students will be expected to participate in clinics, surgeries, didactics, rounds, and call responsibilities during their rotation. During a 4 week fourth year rotation, students are expected to take overnight call with the residents one Friday/Sunday combination and one Saturday, and then 2 other nights during the month.
Eligibility
Competitive applicants who have demonstrated academic excellence, strong leadership and a variety of extracurricular experience. Students should be strongly motivated to pursue a career in Orthopaedic Surgery. The scholarship is open to applicants who are first generation medical school attendees, socioeconomically disadvantaged students, individuals who have overcome substantial educational or economic obstacles or students who come from backgrounds underrepresented in medicine (Black/African-American, Hispanic/Latino, Native American, Asian/Pacific Islander, and Alaskan Native).

Application Requirements
All application materials should be submitted via VSAS which will open to visiting medical students after April 15, 2021 for rotations starting after August 1, 2021. Applicants wishing to apply for this scholarship should follow up after applying with an email to the Program Coordinator listed below with a letter expressing why you merit this scholarship.

☐ Must attend an LCME accredited medical school
☐ Be on track to complete all required clerkships at home institution
☐ Completed VSAS application (should include letters of recommendation and medical school transcript)
☐ Curriculum Vitae
☐ Personal statement on why you want to participate in this program and how it will help you achieve your overall career goals
☐ 2x2 photograph
☐ USMLE Step 1 score report, and Step 2 score report if available

Due Date
Applications are due by June 1st, 2021. Notifications will be made by July 1st, 2021.

Contact Information
Please submit your application materials and forward any questions to David Craig, Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Coordinator.
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