

**Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are unable to accept visiting students for the 2020-2021 academic year. However, we plan to continue to offer this scholarship in the future. Please stay tuned for additional updates and reach out to us with any questions.**

### **Scholarship Overview**

We are proud to offer up to \$1500 to help offset the costs of travel and housing for highly qualified medical students who wish to do a visiting pediatrics clerkship at our institution during the months of August through October and whose backgrounds, interests or goals will bring diverse experiences and interests to UVA's Pediatrics Department.

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 first-hand our Department's inclusive culture and welcoming environment. This clerkship experience will hopefully encourage students to consider a career in pediatrics, 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 Director.

Students will rotate for four weeks on one of the following services: General Pediatric Wards, Neonatology or Ambulatory Pediatrics. They will be expected to function at the level of a sub-intern or advanced medical student. Students will be expected to actively prepare for and participate in morning rounds and work at least one week of nights (General Wards and NICU). On the Ambulatory Pediatrics sub-internship, students will be expected to give one formal presentation during Friday Morning Teaching Rounds (usually the last Friday of the rotation). They will also be expected to attend all morning reports, teaching conferences, and Grand Rounds with our residents.

### **Eligibility**

This opportunity is open to competitive applicants who have demonstrated academic excellence, strong leadership and a variety of extra-curricular experience. Students should be strongly motivated to pursue a career in pediatrics. The program is open to applicants who are first generation medical school attendees, socioeconomically disadvantaged students, individuals who have overcome substantial educational or economic obstacles, and students who come from backgrounds underrepresented in medicine (Black/African-American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian, Asian/Pacific Islander, Alaskan Native, and LGBTQ+).

### **Requirements**

- Must attend a 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 July 1, 2020.

**Contact Information**

Please submit your application materials and forward any questions to Terry Xixis and Michelle Garrison, the Pediatrics Residency Coordinators.

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