The Office of Healthcare Equity’s programs and collaborations are aligned to further our goal of promoting diversity and inclusiveness throughout the School of Medicine including the WWAMI region.

Advancing excellence through diversity
Division of Allergy & Infectious Diseases

The Division of Allergy and Infectious Diseases’ “Infectious Diseases Scholar’s Program” is designed to provide medical students and residents with diverse and historically underrepresented backgrounds the opportunity for clinical and research experience at Seattle’s major hospitals and research centers (Harborview Medical Center, University of Washington Medical Center, Seattle Children’s Hospital and the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance) caring for patients from the region, across the country and from around the world. Our Division faculty and fellows see patients with infectious diseases across the spectrum of illness, providing the opportunity to experience both the breadth and quality of clinical care. With over 90 full time faculty members, including affiliate faculty from the Alliance institutions, we offer a wide range of opportunities for mentoring and gaining research skills. Research areas of interest include basic science, epidemiology, clinical trials, and implementation science with permutations and combinations of all three areas.

Eligibility
The program is open to applicants who are currently enrolled in a US medical school or ACGME accredited residency program. Students must have demonstrated academic excellence and belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in health and science. Applicants should be strongly motivated to pursue a career in allergy or infectious diseases.

Application
The Infectious Diseases Scholar’s Program provides a stipend for travel and living expenses for 1-2 months. Applications are welcome throughout the year and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Please visit our website for application process information.

Website
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Department of Anesthesiology & Pain Medicine

The Department of Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine is committed to providing excellent training experiences to medical students and residents from diverse backgrounds. We offer 2 and 4-week clerkships to visiting 4th year medical students interested in careers in Anesthesiology. Students will have the opportunity to rotate in the operating rooms, on the pain services and in the ICUs where they will participate in clinical care and attend didactic sessions led by our faculty and residents. Students will have the opportunity to work at University of Washington Medical Center (UWMC); Harborview Medical Center (HMC); VA Puget Sound; Cheyenne, WY or Spokane, WA. All visiting medical students will be invited to interview for a position in our residency program.

Funding for travel and housing is available.

Eligibility
The program is open to 4th year students who are currently enrolled in an accredited US medical school, demonstrate academic excellence and belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the health and science professions. Applicants should be strongly motivated to pursue a career in anesthesiology or any of its subspecialties.

Application
Applicants should submit the following documents:
- A letter of interest describing your reason for wanting to participate in this program, your career goals, and how this program would further your goals
- Current Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- One letter of recommendation from a clinical faculty member
- Medical school transcript
- USMLE Step 1 scores
- Completed application form

Website
departs.washington.edu/anesth/education/clerkships/visiting.html

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Division of Dermatology

The Department of Medicine’s Division of Dermatology offers two visiting student programs: DURM (Dermatology Underrepresented in Medicine) Program and General Visiting Students. Students will rotate at one or a combination of our five teaching hospitals/clinics: UW Medical Center, Harborview Medical Center, Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, Roosevelt Clinic and the Puget Sound VA. We do solicit site preferences at least 6 weeks in advance.

Eligibility
Prerequisites include 4th year medical student standing, and completion of an 8 week internal medicine rotation. This program is open to students from LCME and ACGME accredited institutions, who demonstrate academic excellence and belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the health and science professions. All Dermatology rotations are four (4) weeks in length. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis beginning March 1, 2020. Must be approved at least 6 weeks prior to start of requested clerkship date.

Application
Applicants for a general dermatology rotation should submit the following documents:
• Complete Medicine Supplemental Application Form
• Medical school transcript

Website
derm.uw.edu/education/visiting-students

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Department of Emergency Medicine

The Emergency Medicine Scholars Program (EMSP) is a funded program designed to provide a broad, month-long educational experience for exceptional 4th year medical students from those underrepresented in the health professions. Students will spend four weeks in a sub-internship position gaining clinical experience at the Harborview Medical Center emergency department. Students will provide clinical care during 15 emergency department shifts, participate in skills labs, and attend weekly resident teaching conferences. This clinical and didactic experience will be augmented with additional educational opportunities specific to the student’s interests.

Students will have the opportunity to interview with the emergency medicine residency program.

Eligibility
Students must come from an LCME-Accredited US medical school and belong to a group that has been identified as underrepresented in medicine, including ethnic, racial, socioeconomically disadvantaged, and/or LGBTQ.

Application
See the website for further application details.

Website
eh.uw.edu/education/emergency-medicine-scholars-program

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Department of Family Medicine

Our residents train in a variety of practice settings, including rural community practice, urban underserved practice and tertiary academic medical centers. Whether leading a medicine team at one of Seattle’s major hospitals or caring for patients at a community practice site in Alaska or Montana, our residents are on the cutting edge of training in family medicine. We encourage you to not only apply to our residency, but immerse yourself in this unique opportunity to experience resident life in Seattle with us.

Eligibility
The program is open to applicants who are 4th year medical students from LCME and AOA accredited M.D./D.O. schools. Applicants must be from a racial or ethnic population that is underrepresented in the medical profession relative to their numbers in the general population.

Application
Accepted applicants will receive roundtrip airfare to SEA airport, a $200 meal reimbursement and up to $100 public transportation reimbursement. Please see the website for detailed information on the application deadline and process.

Website
depts.washington.edu/fammed/education/courses/sub-internship/underrepresented-sub-internship

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Department of Medicine

The Visiting Scholars Program (VSP) is a funded program designed to give students with a diverse background a chance to experience the training that the University of Washington Department of Medicine has to offer.

Students will spend four weeks on an internal medicine elective and care for a variety of patients in our tertiary care centers.

Near the completion of the elective, students will be offered an opportunity to interview with the internal medicine residency program.

Eligibility
The program is open to applicants who are currently enrolled in a US medical school, demonstrate academic excellence and belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the health and science professions including: African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Hispanic American and Southeast Asian/Pacific Islander. Applicants should be strongly motivated to pursue a career in internal medicine or any of its subspecialties.

Application
Accepted applicants will receive funding for their travel and lodging expenses.

Initial deadline April 30. Rolling acceptances thereafter. See website for more details.

Website
medicine.uw.edu/education/visiting-scholars-program

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Department of Neurology
Christina Marra Visiting Scholars Program

The Visiting Scholars Rotation is designed to give students from backgrounds that are historically underrepresented in medicine who are interested in a career in Neurology the opportunity to experience the excellent training that the University of Washington has to offer. Students will spend one month rotating on the inpatient or consult service and in outpatient subspecialty clinics at either the University of Washington Medical Center or Harborview Medical Center. Students who are interested in Pediatric Neurology will have the option to rotate at Seattle Children's Hospital. The experience will also include attending student and resident didactics, attending various subspecialty conferences, and being paired with a faculty mentor and resident ambassador who will help applicants get to know more about our program and about the city of Seattle. We do our best to tailor the experience based upon an applicant's interests.

Scholarship recipients will be given special consideration for an interview with the University of Washington Neurology Residency Program or the Pediatric Neurology Residency Program as part of the Residency Match.

Eligibility
Funding is available to 3rd or 4th year medical students who demonstrate academic excellence, are interested in a career in Neurology and belong to groups that are historically underrepresented in medicine including: Black/African American, Native American, Alaska Native, Hispanic/Latino, Pacific Islander, Asian (Filipino, Hmong, or Vietnamese only).

Application
Accepted applicants will receive a stipend of up to $2500 for reimbursement of travel and housing expenses. Please visit the website for information about application deadlines.

Website
depts.washington.edu/neurolog/ideas/christina-marra-visiting-scholars-rotation/

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Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology

The Diversity Sub-Internship is a funded experience designed to give two students from diverse backgrounds the opportunity to experience the outstanding training that is available in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Washington.

The University of Washington Medical Center serves a diverse group of patients from the five-state region of Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, Idaho (WWAMI). In this OB/GYN course, students will spend four weeks rotating on our various services, including High Risk Obstetrics, and Gynecologic Oncology. This sub-internship will be largely housed at the University of Washington Medical Center.

Students will participate in daily clinical services and will also have the opportunity to attend resident teaching sessions, such as Grand Rounds and Morbidity and Mortality conference. In addition, students will have the opportunity to meet frequently with key members of the department including the Chair and Residency Program Director.

Eligibility
Competitive applicants for the Department of OB/GYN Diversity Sub-Internship will have demonstrated academic excellence, as well as strong leadership and extracurricular experience, such as involvement in activities that have made an impact on the care of underserved patients. Applicants should have a background that offers diversity in the healthcare setting. Preference will be given to those who will be full-time fourth year students who plan to apply for a residency in OB/GYN and are in good standing at an LCME-accredited medical school.

Application
Please submit the following documents:
• Current CV, including clerkship grades
• One-page personal statement detailing what personal features you feel allow you to bring Diversity to our institution, your interest in OB/GYN, as well as any specialty interests, and interest in the University of Washington and Seattle.
• One letter of recommendation from a clinical faculty member
• Official medical school transcript
• USMLE Step 1 score report
• USMLE Step 2 score report (if available)

Completed application:
• Complete the Visiting Student Application Service (VSAS) form.

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Department of Ophthalmology

The UW Department of Ophthalmology is excited to participate in the Diversity Visiting Student Clerkship Program, a funded program designed to give 4th year medical students from backgrounds historically underrepresented in medicine the opportunity to experience the exceptional education in ophthalmology offered by the University of Washington. Students will spend two or four weeks at one or more of the UW ophthalmology services including Harborview Medical Center, Seattle Children’s Hospital and/or Puget Sound VA Hospital and care for a variety of patients in our tertiary care centers. Students will also be expected to attend all scheduled medical student and resident teaching sessions, conferences and present at least one case presentation to the other students on the rotation.

Eligibility
The program is open to applicants who are currently enrolled in a US medical school, demonstrate academic excellence and belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the health and science professions including: African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Hispanic American and Asian/Pacific Islander. Applicants should be strongly motivated to pursue a career in Ophthalmology.

Website
ophthalmology.washington.edu

Application
The funded Visiting Clerkship position will be available during the months of June, July, August or September. Funding includes a stipend of up to $1500 to cover housing and travel costs for either 2 or 4 weeks. Students must also apply through VSAS.
Deadline: May 1
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Department of Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine

The Visiting Student Sub-Internship Program is a funded program designed to give students from diverse backgrounds a chance to experience the exceptional training that the Department of Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine at the University of Washington has to offer. Students will spend four weeks on one or more of the surgical teams at Seattle Children's Hospital, University of Washington Medical Center-Montlake and Northwest campuses, Harborview Medical Center and/or Puget Sound Veteran's Administration Hospital. Students will participate in all of the duties and functions of a sub-intern and care for a variety of patients. They will also attend all scheduled house staff teaching sessions and conferences. Other options will include night call at our level 1 orthopaedic trauma program at Harborview Medical Center.

Eligibility
The program is open to applicants who demonstrate academic excellence and belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the field of orthopaedic medicine, including but not limited to: Black/African American, American Indian, Alaska Native, Hispanic/Latino, Pacific Islander, and women. Applicants should be strongly motivated to pursue a career in orthopaedic surgery. The program is limited to students currently enrolled in a U.S. medical school.

Website
orthop.washington.edu/education/medical-students/diversity-visiting-student-program.html

Application
Please submit the following documents:
• A copy of your CV/Resume
• One to two paragraph personal statement explaining your interest in rotating at UW and your goals after orthopaedic surgery training
• Students will also apply for a rotation through the Visiting Student Application Service (VSAS) beginning March 1.
Funding includes a stipend to cover travel and lodging. Deadline for this applications is April 1st and recipients will be notified by May 1st.

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Department of Otolaryngology

The Otolaryngology Diversity Visiting Student Sub-Internship Program is a funded program designed to encourage students from diverse backgrounds the opportunity to experience the exceptional training that the University of Washington Department of Otolaryngology has to offer. Students will spend four weeks with the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Washington Medical Center, Seattle Children’s Hospital, Harborview Medical Center or Puget Sound VA Healthcare System and care for a variety of patients in our tertiary care centers. Students will participate in all the duties and functions of a medical student sub intern. They will be expected to attend all scheduled house staff teaching sessions and conferences.

Eligibility

The program is open to applicants who demonstrate academic excellence and belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the health and science professions including: African American, American Indian, Alaska Native, Hispanic American and Asian/Pacific Islander. Applicants should be strongly motivated to pursue a career in Otolaryngology. Clerkships are available to full-time fourth year students who are in good standing at LCME-accredited U.S. medical schools.

Application

Please see website for application and instructions. Completion and approval of UW’s School of Medicine VSAS application is also necessary.

Website

otolaryngology.uw.edu/uw-otolaryngology-diversity-visiting-sub-internship-program

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Department of Pediatrics

Our visiting student program is designed to give students the opportunity to experience the exceptional training that the University of Washington (UW) has to offer. Students will spend four weeks on one of the ward teams at Seattle Children’s Hospital as an acting intern or will rotate with the nephrology service or one of our subspecialty services based on availability including emergency medicine, infectious disease and pulmonary. They will care for a variety of patients ranging from general pediatrics to medically complex at our tertiary care center. Students completing an acting internship will engage in three weeks of day shifts and one week of night shifts. Students will also be expected to attend morning report and noon conference daily, and attend all scheduled house staff teaching sessions and conferences.

Qualified applicants will be invited to interview for our residency in pediatrics at the UW during their rotation in Seattle.

Eligibility

Applicants for the funded positions must come from backgrounds underrepresented in medicine. This includes African Americans/Blacks, American Indian/Alaska Native, Hispanic, and Native Hawaiians. Four spots are available for rotations from August through December.

Application

Please see website for application deadline. However, the program utilizes a rolling admission process in which students are accepted or waitlisted at the time of their submission of a complete application.

Website

seattlechildrens.org/healthcare-professionals/education/residency-fellowships/uw-pediatric-residency/training/funded-visiting-electives/
Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences

The Diversity Visiting Medical Student Subinternship Program is a funded program designed to give 4th year medical students from backgrounds historically underrepresented in medicine the opportunity to experience the exceptional education in psychiatry offered by the University of Washington. Students will spend four weeks on either an adult inpatient psychiatry team at Harborview Medical Center or a child and adolescent psychiatry inpatient team at Seattle Children’s Hospital between late August and December. They will also attend resident didactics and teaching conferences and will have the opportunity to go to clinic with a psychiatry faculty member or resident once or twice during the rotation. Qualified applicants will be invited to interview for the psychiatry residency program during their rotation.

Eligibility
Student must have demonstrated academic excellence, strong leadership and extracurricular experience, and a commitment to working with disadvantaged, underserved patient populations. The applicant must come from a background underrepresented in psychiatry including African American, Hispanic, American Indian/Alaska Native, or Asian/Pacific Islander.

Application
Funding for this program includes a $3,000 stipend for reimbursement of travel and housing costs. Please see the website for application deadline.

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sharepoint.washington.edu/uwpsychiatry/Education/MedicalSchool/Pages/SubinternshipDiversityScholarship.aspx

Department of Radiology

The Diversity Visiting Student Program is a funded initiative designed to give students from diverse backgrounds the opportunity to experience the outstanding training that is available in the Department of Radiology at the University of Washington. In the Diagnostic Radiology Clerkship, students will spend four weeks rotating through up to four services (such as Body Imaging, Chest Imaging, Emergency Radiology, Gastrointestinal and Genitourinary Fluoroscopy, Musculoskeletal Imaging, Neuroradiology, Nuclear Medicine, and Pediatric Radiology) at three of the five major teaching institutions that encompass the department’s activities: UW Medical Center, Harborview Medical Center, and Seattle Children’s Hospital.

Eligibility
Applicants should come from a background that offers diversity in the health care setting including: socioeconomic and/or racially ethnically underrepresented in the health professions.

Application
Accepted applicants will receive funding of up to $2,500 to cover housing and travel costs.

Deadline: Preference will be given to students who submit their application by May 25th.

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Website
rad.washington.edu/education/medical-students/diversity-visiting-student-program/
Department of Urology

Carlos A. Pellegrini Diversity Visiting Student Internship Program

The Diversity Visiting Student Internship Program is a funded program designed to give students from a diverse background a chance to experience the exceptional training that the University of Washington has to offer. Students will spend four weeks on one of the surgical teams at Seattle Children’s Hospital, University of Washington Medical Center, Harborview Medical Center and/or Puget Sound VA Hospital, and care for a variety of patients in our tertiary care centers. Students will participate in all the duties and functions of a medical student intern. They will also be expected to attend all scheduled house staff teaching sessions and conferences.

At the completion of the clerkship, qualified applicants may be invited to interview for a residency position in General, Cardiothoracic, Plastic or Vascular Surgery at the University of Washington.

Eligibility
Students should have demonstrated academic excellence, strong leadership and extracurricular experience and belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the health and science professions including: African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Hispanic, and Asian/Pacific Islander.

Application
Funding includes a stipend of up to $3,000 to cover housing and travel. Please see the website for application deadline.

Website
uwmedicine.org/education/introduction/div-edu-opps/

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Department of Surgery

Carlos A. Pellegrini Diversity Visiting Student Internship Program

The Diversity Visiting Student Internship Program is a funded program designed to give students from a diverse background a chance to experience the exceptional training that the University of Washington has to offer. Students will spend four weeks on one of the surgical teams at Seattle Children’s Hospital, University of Washington Medical Center, Harborview Medical Center and/or Puget Sound VA Hospital, and care for a variety of patients in our tertiary care centers. Students will participate in all the duties and functions of a medical student intern. They will also be expected to attend all scheduled house staff teaching sessions and conferences.

At the completion of the clerkship, qualified applicants may be invited to interview for a residency position in General, Cardiothoracic, Plastic or Vascular Surgery at the University of Washington.

Eligibility
The program is open to applicants who belong to groups that are underrepresented in the health and science professions as defined by the Association of American Medical Colleges: African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Hispanic American and Asian/Pacific Islander. Those who apply to the program should be students strongly motivated to pursue a career in Urology.

Application
Funded Visiting Internship positions will be available during the months of June, July, August, September and October. Funding includes a stipend of up to $750 to cover housing and travel costs.

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