

# Visiting Diversity Clerkship in Internal Medicine Scholarship Program

As a joint venture between the Office of Diversity & Community Engagement and the LSU Department of Internal Medicine, we are pleased to sponsor a fourth-year senior medical student who plans a career in Internal Medicine and wishes to experience a rotation in our University Medical Center-New Orleans. Students must self-identify as an under-represented minority (URM) and display genuine interest in exploring issues of social determinants of health, population medicine, access to care, and social justice.

The Internal Medicine Department at LSUHSC-New Orleans offers the enthusiastic student a challenging and rewarding clinical experience in a supportive and clinically diverse environment. Students are valued members of our clinical services, and their education is a priority. Our residents train in an environment that is collegial and prepares them to be successful in the community or academia. The Internal Medicine Department is staffed by faculty who are dedicated to excellence in teaching and patient care.

The LSU Health Sciences Center historically serves a large, metropolitan community with many under-resourced neighborhoods challenged by the social determinants of health and affected by health disparities. The historic mission of our training institution is to care for every member of our community, regardless of situation.

Students selected for the program will receive:

- \$1,500
- Housing provided by the LSU School of Medicine
- A resident or faculty mentor who will meet with the student during their rotation. Mentor will provide career/professional guidance and a personal connection to the community and will meet with the student during their rotation.
- Meeting with Internal Medicine Residency Program Director and/or Associate Program Director.
- Participation in all educational sessions with residents

Students will participate in a 4-week rotation to include time on our inpatient wards or subspecialty consultative services.

### *Requirements:*

1. Students must be entering their **final** year of medical school at an accredited U.S. institution and must have completed all of their required core rotations (Medicine, Pediatrics, OB, Surgery, Psychiatry) prior to beginning the clerkship.
2. To apply, please complete and share:

1. Application form (see page 3-4) with thorough answers to 3 questions pertaining to interests, personal strengths, and social determinants of health.
  2. Current CV.
  3. Submission of formal LSU Internal Medicine visiting clerkship application on VSLO, with all institutional requirements met. **Covid-19 vaccination is required for participation.**
3. **The number of students selected for visiting rotations in a clinical specialty will be strictly determined by each department (2 for Internal Medicine). Students selected for the visiting Internal Medicine clerkship will receive a guaranteed residency interview.**

***Please submit completed application via VSLO by applying to the MED 420 Internal Medicine – Diversity (URiM) Scholarship Rotation. Only apply to one rotation; rotations will be scheduled within the three blocks available after acceptance.***

**Applications must be received by Friday, May 3, 2024. Selected students will be notified by May 17, 2024.**

Available Dates for Possible Rotations

Block 3: 8/26/24 - 9/20/24    Block 4: 9/23/24 - 10/18/24    Block 5: 10/21/24-11/15/24

Any questions may be sent to:

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## Visiting Internal Medicine Clerkship Scholarship Application

NAME:

STREET ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

ZIP:

MEDICAL SCHOOL:

ENTRANCE DATE:

EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE:

GENDER:  Male  Female  Transgender  Nonbinary  Prefer not to answer

RACE/ETHNICITY\*:  African-American  Caucasian  Pacific Islander  Hispanic  
 Alaskan Native  Native American  Other:

\*check all that apply

USMLE Step 1 Score:

USMLE Step 2 CK Score (if applicable):

*I plan to apply to categorical Internal Medicine residency programs:*

Yes  No

Please rank your preference of rotation dates 1-3:

\_\_\_Block 3: 8/26/24 - 9/20/24

\_\_\_Block 4: 9/23/24 - 10/18/24

\_\_\_Block 5: 10/21/24-11/15/24

**1.** How did you become interested in Internal Medicine? What is your specific interest in LSU and New Orleans?

**2.** What strengths do you possess that you feel will make you a strong Internal Medicine resident and physician? What do you wish to work on/develop more fully?

**3.** How do you think the social determinants of health impact Internal Medicine patients?