From Previous Scholars

“This program helped me to get a sense of what academic medicine is...and what it is like to train at a large children's hospital. I realized that I want to do residency at an academic center.”

“I believe that MSSP gave me an opportunity to become a more competitive candidate for a residency...through the strong mentorship provided by their faculty members and residents.”

“From my experience...I have gained more confidence in my abilities to excel in other rotations...This experience has broadened my horizon in the sense that I am more receptive to the countless possibilities for a career in pediatrics, not only in terms of different [subspecialty] choices but other way to influence...pediatrics.”

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Why Minority Senior Scholarship Program (MSSP)?

Physician racial and ethnic diversity is one important method of addressing child health disparities, cultural sensitivity, and institutional excellence.

MSSP addresses the need to enhance the diversity of academic pediatricians nationwide through early exposure of senior medical students from underrepresented in minorities in medicine (URMM) to careers in academic pediatrics. We aim to support students in enhancing and achieving their visions for their careers.

MSSP is currently focused on enhancing provider diversity of the following groups based on U.S. and local population demographics: Black/African-American, Hispanic/Latino, Native American/Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander.

About Our Program

Students from URMM from around the country join us for a month of career-building opportunities including:

- Immersion in a pediatric clinical experience
- Special sessions preparing students to address their career goals
- Faculty and resident mentors
- Networking

A stipend is offered to offset the cost of travel and housing and the elective fee for students from unaffiliated institutions is waived.

How to apply?

Visit our website for more details or go directly to our online application. Applications will open February 1, 2018 and are due by April 30, 2018.

Applicants must be in good standing at an LCME accredited medical school and have completed core clinical clerkships with passing grades by the start of MSSP.

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