Department of Emergency Medicine

Medical Student Externship Scholarship

2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

The <u>UC San Diego (UCSD) Department of Emergency Medicine</u> (DEM) medical student program is excited to offer two different Visiting Medical Student Externship Scholarships this year.

- 1. For students committed to serve in rural, underserved populations in California.
- 2. For those historically underrepresented in medicine.

Our department is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in all our recruitment and education efforts, and we believe that when our team reflects the diversity of our surrounding communities, it enhances our ability to provide exceptional care, particularly in medically-underserved clinical settings.

These scholarships are designed to help students who will apply to Emergency Medicine (EM) for residency to complete an EM sub-internship at UCSD. The scholarship supports students by defraying the costs of travel, education, and housing, and providing opportunities for mentoring and career development.

In addition to all the learning opportunities that our EMED 420 MS4 clerkship offers, scholarship recipients will also receive:

- \$1500 to reimburse travel, educational and visiting student application costs (funds will be provided after successful completion of the clerkship; receipts must be submitted for reimbursement).
- Priority in scheduling a rotation via the AAMC Visiting Student Learning Opportunity (VSLO).
- Several shifts at our rural critical access affiliate site El Centro Regional Medical Center (includes free nightly housing, food, parking while there).
- Faculty and resident advisors to explore areas of interest and our program culture.
- The ability to attend seminars and lectures offered by the UCSD Office of Diversity and Community Partnerships and the UCSD Cross Cultural Center.
- A letter of recommendation (eSLOE) highlighting this competitive scholarship.

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ELIGIBILITY

- Students must intend to pursue a residency in Emergency Medicine.
- Students must be in good academic standing.
- Students need to apply to our clerkship through the AAMC Visiting Student Learning Opportunity (VSLO)
 Online Application, but do not need to do so before submitting your scholarship application.
- Must have passed USMLE step 1, and prior to the start of the UCSD EMED 420 rotation, have successfully completed core clerkships in Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Ob/Gyn, and Surgery.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Interest in pursuing a career serving rural, underserved and/or underrepresented populations.
- Demonstrated interest in promoting diversity and inclusion.
- Established history of leadership and community service.
- Good standing in medical school.

TO APPLY

Send an email to Beckett Kirk at **bhkirk@health.ucsd.edu** consisting of:

- 1. A personal statement including how you qualify based on the criteria listed (1-page maximum)
- 2. A faculty Letter of Recommendation, attesting to the above selection criteria.
- 3. Name, current Medical School enrollment, and personal contact information
- **Deadline:** April 15, 2023
- Scholarship recipients will be notified by: May 1, 2023
- For more information, please visit the UCSD's Visiting Student webpage.