ATTENTION HONORS PROGRAM

FRESHMEN

SAVE THE DATE: February 6, 2024
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Draper 152

Spring Mandatory Meeting

This meeting is required for all Honors Program pre-health freshmen/first year students.
If you are unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances, please email Coco_DiMauro@baylor.edu to receive an alternate assignment.
We are excited to invite you to a special event where you can connect with Priya Chandna, a distinguished BIC alumna who has carved an inspiring path in the healthcare field.

Event Details:

Who: Pre-Health BIC Students

Guest Speaker: Priya Chandna (BIC ’21, Neuroscience)

Date: Wednesday, Jan 24

Time: 2:30 to 3:30 PM

Location: Texana House Lobby
Priya currently works as a pediatric RN and will share her experiences and insights on how her time in the BIC has played a pivotal role in shaping her journey as a healthcare professional. During her time at Baylor, Priya served as the president of the HRC and worked in the BIC as a Rhetoric PI. She was also a varsity crew member.

Since graduating, Priya has pursued a Masters of Science in Nursing at The Ohio State University, with a focus on becoming a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner specializing in Primary Care. She is graduating this May and is currently working on the neuroscience unit at a children's hospital.

Join us to discover how Priya attributes her success to her BIC experience. Learn how it made her a more compelling graduate school applicant, empowered her during her studies, and ultimately contributed to her becoming a better healthcare professional.
Visit [this site](#) for more information about the VA Center of Excellence Research Program.

**UT Southwestern Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences' Summer & Postbaccalaureate Research Programs:**

- **Amgen Scholars program:** [Amgen Scholars Program](#) ([application due Feb 1](#))
- **Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) program:** [Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF): Graduate School - UT Southwestern, Dallas, Texas](#) ([application due Feb 1](#))
- **Summer Undergraduate Research Institute for the Study of Kidney Disease (SURISKD) program:** [Summer Undergraduate Research Institute for the Study of Kidney Disease (SURISKD)](#) ([application due Feb 1](#))
The Amgen Scholars, SURF, and SURISKD programs, spanning ten weeks (June-August), offer a comprehensive research training experience tailored for college students gearing up for Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. careers in biomedical sciences.

The PB2PHD program, a year-long initiative, is designed to attract recent college graduates interested in pursuing graduate research training (Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D.) in the biomedical sciences, offering additional research training to further their skills.

All of these programs provide scholars with faculty-mentored research experiences and academic and professional development plans. The Amgen Scholars, SURF, and SURISKD programs expose students to the kinds of projects encountered during postgraduate research training and fosters an understanding of the planning, discipline, and teamwork involved in the pursuit of answers to current questions in the biological sciences. Simultaneously, the PB2PHD program aims to enhance skills and increase competitiveness for graduate school or M.D./Ph.D. admission, preparing participants for the challenges of Ph.D. training and a successful transition to the STEM workplace.

Baylor College of Medicine - Tropical Diseases Research Internship Program (TDRIP): Baylor College of Medicine - National School of Tropical Medicine in collaboration with Baylor University's Prehealth Program has developed a Tropical Disease Research Internship Program during the summer to provide five undergraduate students who plan a career in global healthcare the opportunity to spend 9 weeks of their summer working with leaders in tropical disease research. The BU-TDRIP summer interns will be selected through a competitive application process coordinated with BU's Director of Prehealth Programs and the BCM-NSTM Laboratory & Compliance Manager. The internship will take place June 5-July 27, 2024. Preference may be given to students that have participated in the Tropical Medicine Summer Institute.
Applications are due February 15, 2024. Click here to apply.

**Baylor College of Medicine - National School of Tropical Medicine Summer Institute:**

In coordination with Baylor University, the National School of Tropical Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine began offering the Summer Institute Program: Introduction to Tropical Medicine. The intensive two-week course, held in Houston, Texas familiarizes undergraduate students with the field of tropical medicine. **The program dates for 2024 are June 10-21, 2024. Application deadline is March 15, 2024. Click here to apply.**

**Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE):** Various paid internship and fellowship opportunities at U.S. Department of Defense Research facilities across the nation. Application requirements and deadlines vary.

**Other Biomedical Research Internships:** A catalog of biomedical research internships offered nationwide for high school, undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, graduate, and first-year medical students. (Please note, this link is password protected to maintain confidentiality). **Link recently updated; click on "this spreadsheet" under "Summer 2023 Internships"**

**PreHealth Research Programs:** A variety of internships and research opportunities found on the PreHealth Office’s website.
A Theory of Triage
(from bioethics)

MCAT & PRE-MED RESOURCES

AAMC Webinars: Other Resources:

- How to Create a Study Plan for the MCAT Exam
- Khan Academy video tutorials and review questions
- Plan to Make the Most of Your Summer--Now
- Paying for Medical School

PRE-DENTISTRY INFO

Resources from the American Dental Education Association (ADEA)

- ADEA Enrichment Programs
- Preparing for Dental School
- The Admissions Process
- Dental Admissions Test (DAT)
- Virtual Interviews Do's & Don'ts
- Shadowing
Resources from the American Academy of Physician Associates (AAPA) and PA Education Association (PAEA)

- What is a PA?
- How to Become a PA
- Applying to a PA Program
- Information for Pre-PA Students
- What is CASPA?

Other Resources

- Baylor PreHealth Particulars Podcast - Pre-PA Episode
- Pre-PA Info (Workshops, Student Organizations, etc)

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED with the Rural Health Equity Research Collaborative (R-HERC) for Spring 2024!
Join in serving 900 middle school students in the Rio Grande Valley! As a volunteer, you will assist the R-HERC team in presenting a medical-focused curriculum via presentations to encourage and inspire students to pursue careers in the healthcare field. Through working with the R-HERC team, you will gain volunteer hours, research experience, and the opportunity to work with students on the US-Mexico Border.

Sign up to volunteer here.
Volunteer & shadow at Baylor Scott & White Waco! Click here to learn more. For shadowing opportunities, please call 254-202-6200 or email HBMCStudents@BSWHealth.org
UPCOMING EVENT

SHPEP application now open! Applications due February 5, 2024 @ 10:59 CST.

Application Link and Eligibility Requirements

Benefits: Housing, meals, a stipend, and travel assistance. Guidance from current admissions deans, health professionals, students, and SHPEP alumni.
about how to pursue their profession of interest.

Experiences:

- Academic enrichment in the basic sciences and math
- Career development activities
- Learning and study skills workshops
- Clinical experiences
- Workshops in financial planning and health policy
- Interprofessional education that addresses effective collaboration across health professions

Ask PreHealth:

Virtual one-on-one advising sessions. Times TBD

Pre-Health Workshops - Answering the Big Questions

Workshops focused on common questions we get from students, this semester these workshops are for all pre-health students.

Registration required, click here to sign up

Picnic with PreHealth

These workshops will cover topics for Freshman-Seniors this semester. Topics include shadowing, gap year job searching, and pre-health in Dublin.

Registration required, click here to sign up

PreHealth Scholarships:

Various scholarships available here.

PreHealth Particulars Podcast:

A Baylor pre-health podcast...pre-health advising on the go! Check out the Pre-Health Office's website here to listen on a wide variety of topics. Also available on Apple Podcasts. Stay tuned for more episodes!

Bear Tracks:
A new mentoring program aiming to connect on campus Baylor students with shadowing opportunities in the Waco area. Click [here](#) for eligibility criteria.

**Baylor Bridges:**
An organization within the pre-health student programs aiming to create a network for Baylor alumni to interact with current pre-health students. Click [here](#) for more info.

**Committee Letter Process & Workshops**
Eligible students are highly encouraged to begin this process during the fall semester of the year prior to applying to professional schools. Click [here](#) to learn more!

- **Medical/Dental School Application Session: May 1 & 2, 2024 @ 4 pm**
  - Zoom Meeting ID 681 609 2559 (Passcode 366832)

**Pre-Health Studies Office**
Click [here](#) to get stay connected and up to date on news, research opportunities, events, and more!

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**PRE-NURSING**

Thinking about switching majors to Pre-Nursing? Check out the Pre-Nursing Office's [website](#) for more info!
Are you or someone you know doing interesting research? Internship? Service? We want to know! Send us an email to see if it can be featured in the newsletter!

Interested in all-things University Scholars related? Click here to subscribe to the newsletter!

Other Resources

Honors Program
PreHealth Office & Student Organizations
Baylor Counseling Center & Pastoral Care
Tutoring & Academic Coaching
The Store (free food pantry)
Baylor Writing Center
Thesis Abstracts
Office of Engaged Learning
Texas Medical & Dental Schools Application Services (TMDSAS)
Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC)
AAMC 2021 Official Guide Medical School Admissions: How to Prepare for and Apply to Medical School
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