



## ***The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine Summer Premedical Academic Enrichment Program***

### ***Explore a Career in Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine***

The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine invites you to consider our Summer Premedical Academic Enrichment Program (SPAEP), Level I or II. Open to high school graduates and college students, both programs are designed specifically to prepare and support students who wish to pursue careers in the field of medicine. Discover a challenging and stimulating program in the environment of a major academic medical center.

Spend seven weeks in Level I, strengthening your academic skills and learning more about careers in medicine, or spend seven weeks engaged in laboratory research and MCAT preparation through Level II.

***SPAEP Level I*** - Designed for recent high school graduates or students entering their second or third year of college. Students study five diseases of importance to underserved communities: AIDS, hypertension, smoking, sickle cell anemia, and diabetes. These diseases are used to illustrate key biological and chemical principles, and demonstrate their importance to the study of medicine. The curriculum includes a *Medical Biology* course (consisting of talks, labs and discussions) and *General Writing and Public Speaking* courses. Students shadow physicians, visit labor and delivery clinics and observe surgeries.

***SPAEP Level II*** - a highly competitive summer research program that pairs talented undergraduates with biomedical researchers in a variety of areas. In addition to a 32- hour per week research schedule, Level II students participate in *medical school admission preparation workshops*, *physician shadowing* and *MCAT preparation*.

This program is residential. Travel, room and board are paid by the program.

***See our application on the web!***

***<http://www.medschool.pitt.edu/pdfs/AboutSPAEPProgram.pdf>***

**Application deadline is *March 1.***

***Questions? E-mail [diversityaffairs@medschool.pitt.edu](mailto:diversityaffairs@medschool.pitt.edu)***