Mandatory Applicant Meeting

All students preparing to apply to medical, dental, or optometry school during the summer of 2022 (for Fall 2023 admittance) must attend the Mandatory Applicant Meeting in order to be eligible for a UA Committee Interview and Composite Letter from the Office of Health Professions Advising.

The Mandatory Applicant Meeting will be held virtually on Wednesday, November 3rd at 11:00 a.m. and represented on Tuesday, November 16th at 1:00 P.M. You should only attend one of the meetings. Register at prehealth.ua.edu under “Upcoming Events.”

Most health professional schools prefer a letter of recommendation from a pre-health advising office. Students who meet all requirements will receive a composite letter from our office. The Committee Letter evaluates and highlights a student’s pre-professional competencies, applicable experiences and accomplishments. The Mandatory Applicant Meeting will cover all requirements, deadlines, and expectations our office has of applicants for the upcoming application cycle. For more information on the OHPA Committee Interview and Composite Letter process from the Office of Health Professions Advising, please visit: https://prehealth.ua.edu/2014-2/the-ua-committe-interview/.
Announcements

- The College of Arts & Sciences is seeking Peer Advisors. A&S Peer Advisors assist A&S Student Services Center with 2022 Bama Bound Orientation (College Visits 1 & 2) and other advising efforts in A&S throughout the school year. This opportunity is for current A&S students and requires being in Tuscaloosa for most of Summer 2022. To apply, visit [https://forms.gle/Pt9dnscP54ehFcuf7](https://forms.gle/Pt9dnscP54ehFcuf7).

- **Summer Health Professions Education Program** application is now open for summer 2022. Available to students of freshman and sophomore standing. See attached flyer for details. To apply visit [http://www.shpep.org/apply-to-shpep/](http://www.shpep.org/apply-to-shpep/).

- **ACOM Office of Admissions** will host a Virtual Open House this Friday, November 5th from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. CDT. Please see attached flyer with program schedule and registration QR code.

- **UAB School of Medicine** will hold a Preview Day on Friday, December 3rd. For more information, please visit [https://www.uab.edu/medicine/home/admissions/visit](https://www.uab.edu/medicine/home/admissions/visit).

- **Capstone International Open House** on Friday, November 12th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. See attached flyer for more information.

- **Gap Year Opportunity!** Hands of Hope is Casa de Esperanza’s service year program which recruits recent college graduates and other highly qualified adults, from throughout the United States to work with and help abused, neglected and HIV positive children through work with our agency. For more information, visit [https://www.casahope.org/hands-of-hope-service-year-1](https://www.casahope.org/hands-of-hope-service-year-1).

- **MedServe**, a 2-year service-learning fellowship for recent graduates interested in health careers, especially pre-med and pre-PA students is accepting applications. See attached flyer for more information.

**November 3rd & 16th:** OHPA’s Mandatory Applicant Meeting. Register at link on 1st page.

**November 24th—26th:** Classes dismissed for Thanksgiving break

**December 3rd:** Classes end

**December 6th:** Final exams begin

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**Happy Thanksgiving**

There is always something to be thankful for.

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The Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP) is a transformative summer experience for students interested in the health professions. Formerly known as the Summer Medical and Dental Education Program (SMDEP), SHPEP has been shaping careers and changing the lives of premedical and predental college students for over 30 years. Now, in addition to dentistry and medicine, the program offers opportunities to explore other health careers, including nursing, optometry, pharmacy, physical therapy, and public health.

The FREE six-week summer enrichment program prepares college students for a career in the health professions by enhancing their academic proficiency and providing career development opportunities. Participation in SHPEP may better position students for acceptance into advanced-degree programs.

Learn more at shpep.org.
Help Build a Culture of Health

SHPEP is working toward building a Culture of Health* that will enable all to live longer, healthier lives now and for generations to come. The SHPEP prehealth scholars are inspired to become tomorrow’s change leaders in their local communities and throughout the nation.

What types of activities will students participate in during SHPEP?

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

Visit shpep.org for more information about the program and how to apply.

*Refer to evidenceforaction.org/what-culture-health.

SHPEP is a national program funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation with direction and technical assistance provided by the AAMC (Association of American Medical Colleges) and ADEA (American Dental Education Association).
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OPEN HOUSE
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH
9:30 AM TO 12:30 PM
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Please join us for coffee, tea, and international snacks, journey through our departments and learn how you can connect to our programs and services, including Education Abroad, the English Language Institute, the Global and Cultural Perspectives Minor, International Student & Scholar Services, and Partnerships and Scholarships.

International treats from Abadir’s Pastry, Breadtimes, and Mi Casita Bakery.

RSVP appreciated but not necessary. Scan the QR code below or go to https://bit.ly/CICOOpenHouse
Virtual OPEN HOUSE

Friday, November 5, 2021 • 3:30 pm CT

EVENT SCHEDULE

Welcome & Presentation
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Simulation Overview & Demonstration
4:30 pm - 5 pm

OMM Overview & Demonstration
5 pm - 5:30 pm

Guided Virtual Tour
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Student Panel
6:30 pm - 7 pm

ABOUT ACOM

The Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine (ACOM) is a four-year osteopathic medical school located in Dothan, Alabama. As the academic division of Southeast Health, the private, non-profit college was founded in 2010 to help address the primary care physician shortage in Alabama and the surrounding region. ACOM was the third medical school and first osteopathic college in the state. ACOM’s first class graduated in 2017, and to date, more than 60% of its nearly 740 graduates are pursuing primary care.
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