

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA Health Professions *Advising* NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS



March



3/8- Daylight Saving Time begins!

3/18- Last day to drop a course with a grade of "W".

3/16-3/20- Spring Break!

3/25- UAB Mock Medical School Interviews

3/25-UA 2016 Application Cycle Materials are all due today!

3/30- Registration for Summer/Fall 2015 Opens (See Registration Timelines on the Registrar's Website!)

3/30-4/3-Honors Week

TUESDAYS @ 7pm in 38 Lloyd Hall: Check the AED website for important events and speakers: <http://www.aed.ua.edu/>

Check the [calendar](#) on the Health Professions website for additional meeting dates and times!

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Make an by going to
as.ua.edu/appointment

Tips for Maximizing Your Summer Experiences!

Here are some suggestions from your Pre-Health Advisors on the types of experiences you, as pre-health students, might want to consider to help prepare you for the upcoming year and for your eventual application to professional school!

Freshmen

- Read 3 Books! 1 for fun, 1 Autobiography/Biography, 1 about a subject you've always been interested in.
- Shadow! Try your family doctor or other doctors in/near your home town.
- Volunteer!

Sophomores

- Read 3 Books! 1 for fun, 1 Autobiography/Biography, 1 about a subject you've always been interested in.
- Shadow!
- Volunteer!

Juniors

- Read 3 Books! 1 for fun, 1 Autobiography/Biography, 1 about a subject you've always been interested in.
- If applying to professional school, fill out secondary applications within 2 weeks of receiving them!
- Continue to shadow!

Seniors

- If accepted into professional school, continue to shadow, go for a 2nd look, look for housing
- If reapplying, self-assess, address deficiencies (MCAT?), pursue a 1-year Master's, continue to shadow
- Meet with the Pre-Health Advising office to discuss your gap year and the reapplication process.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- ✓ **UA School of Medicine Representatives will be on campus conducting mock interviews on March 25th. Please contact a Pre-Health Advisor for more information. Sign-up sheets will be available on Monday, March 9th, in 200 Clark Hall. SOPHOMORES will be given priority with these appointments.**
- ✓ **Application materials are due on March 25th in order to be eligible for a Committee Interview through the Pre-Health Advising Office! If you have not met with a pre-health advisor, please schedule an appointment immediately.**

EXPRESS ADVISING SESSIONS AVAILABLE

For First-Year A&S Freshmen and Transfer Students

ALL SESSIONS WILL BE HELD IN 205 GORGAS LIBRARY-NO APPOINTMENT IS
REQUIRED **

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| March 3 | Tuesday | 2:30-4:30 | 1 st Year Transfer |
| March 9 | Monday | 1:00-3:00 | Freshmen |
| March 24 | Tuesday | 2:30-4:30 | Freshmen |
| March 30 | Monday | 11:00-1:00 | Freshmen |
| April 8 | Wednesday | 3:00-5:00 | Freshmen |
| April 14 | Monday | 1:00-3:00 | Freshmen |

Get Pumped for the 2015 MCAT!



- ❖ AMCAS is offering a \$150 Amazon gift card for students who take the test in April!
- ❖ April test-takers will receive a percentile ranking in May to help determine whether or not to retest.
- ❖ Get ahold of study material and take timed practice tests!
- ❖ Follow [this link](#) for registration tips from AAMC!



Bama *A* broad

Ghana



Global
Health

Summer 2015

Study *A* broad

Capstone International
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Ghana

Description: The trip to Ghana is a 4 week educational medical mission at a local community medical center in Elmina, Ghana. A full range of health problems are seen at this District Health Center and a District Hospital, along with a Psychiatric Hospital. Patients of all ages and genders are seen here. The primary activities include observing and participating in a traditional daily clinic and taking part in public health outreach to outlying more rural communities.

This offers an opportunity to experience a health care system run on a \$120 capita budget in a stable democratic African country. English is the official language in Ghana but many patients speak a version of Akan, the major indigenous language group in Ghana. Cross-cultural communication and adaptation opportunities are also a part of the trip.

Date: Summer II: May 29, 2015 - June 30, 2015

Courses:

Undergraduate Course

CHS 423: International Health (6 hrs)

Graduate Course

CHS 622: International Health (6 hrs)

Cost: \$6,125

For more information on courses, summarized costs, application, and payment information can be found at studyabroad.ua.edu.

**The above package rate does not include Additional Estimated Personal Expenses and Airfare (not billed by UA)

Summer 2015

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7th annual

Environmental & Occupational Safety & Health Institute

Preparing to Protect the Workforce of Tomorrow
Tuesday, May 19 - Friday, May 22, 2015



*Are you an undergraduate student with an interest in science, engineering, or health?
Are you looking for an opportunity to continue your education?*

If so Environmental & Occupational Safety and Health might just be the exciting and rewarding career for you!!

Why attend?

The Summer Institute will introduce you to the basics of Environmental & Occupational Safety & Health and explore career opportunities in this field. It will include field trips to work sites, discussions, and other activities to teach skills for the practice of Environmental & Occupational Safety & Health.

Details, Costs, & Applications

The Summer Institute will be held at The University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Public Health from May 19 - May 22, 2015. Application deadline Friday, March 6, 2015.

STIPENDS \$\$\$ (limited number) are provided. We will also cover travel expenses (mileage & meals) & on-campus housing will be provided.

Careers? Graduates of our academic programs find rewarding and challenging careers in a hiring job market. Need more info? Contact us at 205.934.7178; dsc@uab.edu; www.uab.edu/dsc

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