

Visiting Student Diversity Scholarship for General Surgery

Announcing an opportunity for 2020-21: The Thomas Jefferson University – Sidney Kimmel Medical College Visiting Student Diversity Scholarship Program for 4th year medical students who are interested in Surgery. The program will be offered to several eligible students in the late summer/early fall of the academic year 2020-2021.

The Department of Surgery at the Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Center City, Philadelphia encourages fourth-year medical students who are underrepresented in medicine to apply to our Visiting Student Diversity Scholarship to explore an interest in academic surgery. The Program will provide accepted "Acting Intern" (4th year medical) students with a four-week rotation at the Thomas Jefferson University Hospital for the months of June, July, August, September or October in General Surgery or any of its subspecialties.

The Program will also provide up to \$1,500 of expense reimbursement to help defray the cost of transportation, fees, and housing expenses.

Program Description

The Visiting Student Diversity Scholarship Program is designed to give students the experience of rotating as a surgical "Acting Intern" (4th year medical student) at the Thomas Jefferson University Department of Surgery. The "Acting Intern" will function in the role of a surgical intern and will be required to attend all conferences including core curriculum, morbidity and mortality conference, rotation-based clinical case conferences, and simulation lab experiences with the surgery residents.

Who Should Apply

The program is open to applicants who belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the health profession including African American, American Indian, Alaska Native, Hispanic/Latino, Pacific Islander and/or LGBTQ. The 4th year medical student "Acting Internship" is four weeks in duration and will only be offered in the late summer and early fall of the academic year. Students must be enrolled in their final year of medical school in good academic standing at an LCME- or AΩA accredited medical school, and have completed all required core clerkships. Students will be accepted into clinical rotations only if space is available during the preferred time period. In addition, all students must meet all requirements of the Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University for visiting students.

Scholarship Application

Please email Sherry.Weitz@jefferson.edu, Undergraduate Surgical Education Coordinator, to request the application. Return your application by May 1, 2020.

Decisions will be made by May 15, 2020.

After you have been accepted, you must formally apply to the medical school electronically through VSAS to GENERAL SURGERY. The medical school's extern page can be found at the link below. The site lists SKMC's requirements and has the link to VSAS. The school's Visiting Student page is:

<https://www.jefferson.edu/university/academic-affairs/tju/academic-services/registrar/clinical-electives/overview.html>