

## SHPEP @ WesternU

Western University of Health Sciences is one of twelve national SHPEP program sites. WesternU offers a summer enrichment program for college freshmen and sophomores who are interested in the health professions such as medicine, dentistry, physical therapy, and optometry. During the six-week course, students will experience:

- Academic enrichment of basic sciences through casebased learning;
- Hands-on clinical skills development activities;
- Learning skills evaluation and workshops;
- Virutal exposure to clinical settings and clinical skills training;
- Workshops on financial planning and health policy;
- Receive a \$600 stipend and meal subsidy.

# FAQs

**Can I join other activities during the program time duration?** SHPEP at WesternU is a rigorous program that requires scholars to attend classes 5 days a week. It is STRONGLY advised students do not commit their time to other activities, including summer classes or other educational programs.

#### Will the program be in-person or virtual?

The goal of the SHPEP National Program Office and each individual site is to have all the sites be in-person, however each site will continue to adhere to their local state/county policies and recommendations.

How many students will be admitted to WesternU's program? 80 students total will be admitted into the program.

**Do l get college credit for the program?** NO. This program is intended to enhance your preparation for medicine, dentistry, physical therapy and optometry – with potential exposure to other health professions. It is not a substitute for coursework.

I will have more than 60 credits by summer 2022. Can I still apply? YES, but applicants cannot have more than 60 units at the time of the

SHPEP application cycle. Advance Placement credits received during high school will not be factored into your credit count.



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# SUMMER HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION PROGRAM Western University of Health Sciences

Summer 2022

Shaping Careers. Changing Lives.

# Interested in medicine, dentistry, physical therapy, or optometry?

Are you a college freshman or sophomore? Would you like to enhance your qualifications for graduate health professions programs? Join us at WesternU this summer!

Apply now to the **FREE** Summer Health Professions Education Program



Apply now!

WesternU SHPEP Program Dates: June 20, 2022 – July 29, 2022

Opening Ceremony: Sunday, June 19, 2022 Closing Ceremony: Saturday, July 30, 2022

We look forward to receiving your application!

# How to Apply

#### visit www.shpep.org

Contacts

Email: shpep@aamc.org

You will need all official transcripts, one letter of recommendation, a complete online application. You must register using an AAMC account that you will create at time of application.

November 1, 2021 – Application Opens

February 5, 2022 – Application Closes

### To be a competitive applicant at WesternU SHPEP, students must have completed the following coursework by program start:

• General chemistry (two semesters);

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- One or more math courses, at least college-level algebra;
- An introductory biology course including cell and molecular biology.

# **SHPEP NPO Eligibility Requirements**

- Must be a high school graduate and currently enrolled as a freshman or sophomore in college.
- Have a minimum overall college GPA of 2.5.
- Be a U.S. citizen, a permanent resident, or an individual granted deferred action for childhood arrivals (DACA) status by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- Must not have previously participated in the program.

#### Other factors for consideration include that a student:

- Identifies with a group that is racially/ethnically underrepresented in the health professions;
- Comes from an economically or educationally disadvantaged background; and/or
- Has demonstrated an interest in issues affecting underserved populations.
- Submits a compelling personal statement and a strong letter of recommendation.

## **Overview: WesternU Program**

- Case-based curriculum
- Review critical science content
- Practice and improve test-taking skills
- Collaborate in inter-professional teams

WesternU faculty and graduate health professions students will work closely with teams in virtual practical and classroom settings.

#### Morning Track

For Application Questions, please contact SHPEP NPO

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:30am-12:00pm	10:00am-11:30am	10:00am-11:30am	10:00am-11:30am	9:30am-12:00pm
Introduction to Clinical Case & Quiz Assessment	Anatomy Curriculum (In-person and remote learning)	Physiology Curriculum (In-person and remote learning)	Health Disparities	Grand Rounds & Weekly Exam

Note: Curriculum schedule is subject to changes.

#### Afternoon Track

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
1:00pm-4:00pm	1:00pm-4:00pm	1:00pm-4:00pm	1:00pm-4:00pm	1:00pm-4:00pm		
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WesternU SHPEP, Optometry Track (2020)



WesternU SHPEP, Medical Track (2020)



WesternU SHPEP, Dental Track (2020)



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