The Visiting Elective Scholarship Program supported by the Department of Emergency Medicine was established to encourage fourth year medical students who are underrepresented in medicine to apply for the clinical emergency medicine clerkship (EM 140.01) at UCSF. The scholarship program is designed to:

- Expose fourth year medical students who are underrepresented in medicine to an academic emergency medicine training program
- Promote student interest in applying to an emergency medicine residency training program

The clinical emergency medicine clerkship at UCSF is four weeks in length and is available, space permitting, to U.S. visiting students. Three weeks of the clinical clerkship is located at San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, the only Level 1 Trauma Center in San Francisco. One week of the clerkship is at UCSF Medical Center, a nationally recognized tertiary care hospital. In addition to required clerkship didactic sessions, clerkship participants have the opportunity to attend UCSF EM residency conference sessions and grand rounds. VESP participation is not affiliated with the emergency medicine residency match program and participation in the program does not guarantee a residency program interview.

WHO CAN APPLY?
- Fourth year U.S. medical students who are underrepresented in medicine are encouraged to apply.
- Student must be in good academic standing at an accredited US medical school
- Requirements for the UCSF school of medicine’s clinical electives must also be met
  - 4th year standing
  - completion of core clerkships in Medicine, Surgery, Pediatrics, and OB-Gyn

APPLICATION
- Completed VESP application
- Completed VSAS application to the UCSF Emergency Medicine Clerkship. Students must apply to the UCSF Emergency Medicine Clerkship (EM 140.01). Info: http://meded.ucsf.edu/ume/visiting-students

SELECTION
Scholarships (up to $1,500 each*, to be used toward visiting student elective fees, transportation costs and lodging) will be awarded on the basis of:
- Academic achievement as indicated by transcripts, letter of recommendation, etc
- Leadership
- Interest in pursuing an academic emergency medicine career
- Interest in serving underserved populations
Applications will be considered ONLY for the following clerkship blocks:
    July 1 – July 28, 2013
    July 29 – August 25, 2013
    August 26 – September 22, 2013

(*Funds are awarded upon completion of the elective. Receipts must be submitted for reimbursement.)

DEADLINE
Rolling deadline. Application must be received 8 weeks prior to the elective start date, although applications received less than 8 weeks may be considered (please contact us). Applications will not be accepted after June 28, 2013.

MORE INFORMATION
For further information or to receive an application, please contact:

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    Also visit the following websites:
    UCSF School of Medicine Visiting Student Info
    http://meded.ucsf.edu/ume/visiting-students
    UCSF Department of Emergency Medicine Diversity Committee
    http://emergency.ucsf.edu/education/residency-programs/program-info/diversity
    Nurturing Diversity at UCSF
    http://diversity.ucsf.edu