University of California, San Francisco
UCSF Department of Emergency Medicine
Visiting Elective Scholarship Program (VESP)

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 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 medical students. Three weeks of the clinical clerkship is located at Zuckerberg 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 spot.

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Fourth year U.S. visiting medical students who are underrepresented in medicine are encouraged to apply.
- Student must be in good academic standing at an accredited U.S. 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: http://emergency.ucsf.edu/education/medical-student-programs/emergency-medicine-clerkship
- Completed VSAS application to the UCSF Emergency Medicine Clerkship (EM 140.01):
  - http://meded.ucsf.edu/ume/visiting-students
  - https://services.aamc.org/20/vsas/public/school/instID/108
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:
- June 6 – July 3, 2016
- July 4 – July 31, 2016
- August 1 – August 28, 2016
- August 29 – September 25, 2016

*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 prior may be considered (please contact us). Applications will not be accepted after July 4, 2016.

MORE INFORMATION
For further information, please contact:

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Please also visit the following websites:

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/