Application deadline for high
•Be a Greenville County Public, Private, or Home School Student
Rising Seniors in College (2012)

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 Adhere to direction
 Have effective verbal, nonverbal, and written communications skills

PREFERRED
Medical Experience Academy Tier 1 – Year Two
Dr. Brenda J. Thames, Dr. Lee Higdon III, Dr. Matthew F. Hudson, Dr. Anna Cass, Ms. Stephanie Tanner, and Mr. Alfred B. Squire

The Tiers
Tier 1 – Rising Seniors in High School
Students participate in learning experiences designed to introduce foundational competencies needed for a successful health professions career.
Tier 2 – Rising Juniors in College
Students participate in progressive learning experiences which build preparatory skills and aptitudes and guide students' health career decisions.
Tier 3 – Rising Seniors in College (2012)
Students engage in chosen field clinical/non-clinical, hands-on, research-rich learning experiences.

What is the MedEx Academy?
The Greenville Hospital System (GHS) Medical Experience (MedEx) Academy represents an important part of our Workforce Development efforts to attract more young people into health care careers.

The GHS Medical Experience Academy will support high school rising seniors and college undergraduates in preparation for advanced training in healthcare.

When fully actualized, the GHS Medical Experience Academy will serve a dual role as the pipeline for students interested in pursuing a career in health care and attracting students to go to Medical School, Residency and Fellows programs.

Revitalizations of the MedEx Academy will influence favorably socio-economic, public health, and educational initiatives throughout South Carolina.

2011 Tier 1 Class (July 11th – August 4th)
• Conducted Open Houses in high schools for 400 students from November – December 2010.
• 92 Applicants from 13 Greenville County High Schools
• 21 Students Selected

2011 Instructional Activities Hours Completed
Clinical Experiences 16.5
Community Service 6
Cultural and Workplace Competencies 16.5
Health/Wellness Symposiums 10
Research (Scholarly Activities) 27
Online Self Study 10
Assessments & Evaluations 8
Total Hours Completed 94

The Benefits
Credit – Students earn academic credit.
Stipends – Students are paid stipends based on their performance.
Scholarships – Students are eligible to receive scholarships. Scholarships are restricted to accredited community college, four-year University, or graduate/professional healthcare academic program within the State of South Carolina.

Academic Development & Financial Assistance
Students may be connected to other resources based on need.

Drive Scholars Recipients ($2,500)
Kelsey Williams
Sapphire Callahan
Starsha Thurston
Ashley Campbell
Tysona Greene

This year’s Drive Scholars served as MedEx Alumni Advisors to the 2011 Tier 1 students.

Application Timeline Tier 1 - 2012
October 14, 2011: Online application available
January 12, 2012: Application deadline for high school students
February: Interviews
April: Selection complete/acceptance letters sent
June: Clearance Pre-requisites completed by students
Mid-July: Experience begins

Tier 1 Eligibility
REQUIRED
• Complete online application (application form, essay, school transcript, letters of reference, permission slips signed, etc.)
• Maintain at least a 3.0 GPA
• Rising Junior/Senior ( Juniors graduating early)
• Be a Greenville County Public, Private, or Home School Student

• Students should:
  • Adhere to directions
  • Have effective communications skills
  • Exhibit desire to learn
  • Exhibit professionalism
  • Work well with others
  • Have reliable transportation

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• Participate in introductory programs in healthcare such as the Medical Explorers Program, Upstate AHEC, Upstate Coalition, etc.

• Volunteer or work in a healthcare environment.

Founding Pipeline Partners
We thank the Greenville Drive, Furman University, Clemson University, Greenville Technical College, and The Greenville County School District.

For more information...
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