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SUMMERTIME AT MISSOURI AHEC

AHEC hosts many activities to keep students focused on their career goals while enjoying the summer. Legislators are always welcome to stop by any event. For full information, contact the hosting AHEC regional center or program office.

HEALTH CAREER EXPLORATION CAMPS – Day camps are held in communities across the state. Some of them are for middle school age children while others are geared toward young high school students. Camps will be held in Bolivar, Joplin, Poplar Bluff, Bowling Green, Louisiana, Brookfield, Kirksville, Troy, Rolla, El Dorado, Monett, Sikeston, and Kansas City.

The Missouri AHEC Program Offices at the medical schools offer summer activities as well. They rely on the regional centers to market the programs and recruit the participants with whom the centers work year round.

MINORITY MALES IN MEDICINE – Saint Louis University medical student mentors from diverse backgrounds along with physicians, youth outreach programs, and the public schools foundation provide mentoring, job shadowing opportunities and stipends to high school students for a four-week experience.

MU HEALTH PROFESSIONS SUMMIT, July 16-19, is an experience aimed at older high school students interested in a variety of health careers. Thirty-four students involved with AHECs across the state will be attending.

A.T. STILL UNIVERSITY SUMMER VISIT, August 3-4, is intended for high school seniors and undergraduate students with an interest in medical or dental careers.

In addition to youth programs, MAHEC medical schools/program offices offer summer programs for medical students that are implemented in conjunction with regional center staff.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCES II – ATSU-KCOM is sending the Class of 2020 to rural and urban underserved clinics and hospitals across the state for two-week experiences. The students have recently completed the first year of medical school, and this is his or her first encounter with a true clinical experience.

RURAL SUMMER COMMUNITY PROGRAM – MU accepted applications from 15 students to complete four-, six-, or eight-week experiences in rural communities across the state after completing their first year of medical school. This will be the first experience in a clinical setting.



Students during the MU Health Professions Summit in 2016

MAHEC is a partnership of seven locally-governed organizations and three university-based health professions education programs working statewide to increase the number of Missouri youth entering stable, high-paying jobs as healthcare professionals and the number of professionals caring for underserved populations.

The MAHEC partners include:

- A.T. Still University – Kirksville
- University of Missouri – Columbia
- Saint Louis University
- Northeast Missouri AHEC – Kirksville
- Northwest Missouri AHEC – St. Joseph
- West Central Missouri AHEC – Lexington
- Mid-Missouri AHEC – Rolla
- East Central Missouri AHEC – St. Louis
- Southeastern Missouri AHEC – Poplar Bluff
- Southwest Missouri AHEC – Springfield

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