

Application Process

In order to apply to the AHEC Health Professions Summer Academy, please submit the following:

- ☑ AHEC Health Professions Summer Academy Application including a 250-word typewritten essay.

Applications are available online on the AHEC Web site:

<http://www.health.usf.edu/ahec/HighSchool/Students-summeracademy.htm>

- ☑ **Two** completed teacher evaluation forms. AHEC will only accept evaluations from science, mathematics or health instructors. At least one evaluation must be from a science or health instructor.
- ☑ Official high school transcript: Grades 9-10 for rising juniors and Grades 9-11 for rising seniors
- ☑ All completed applications must be mailed by the applicant or parent.

**All applications are due
Monday, February 8, 2010**

Mail Applications to:

University of South Florida
AHEC Program Office
Attn: LaToya S. Clark, MPH
12901 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., MDC 76
Tampa, FL 33612-4799

About AHEC

The USF AHEC Program connects students to careers, professionals to communities and communities to better health. We inspire, train, recruit and sustain a diverse and broad range of health professionals to practice in communities where the need is greatest.

We inspire youth to choose a career in the health professions with our health career camps, mentoring programs, college preparatory courses and more. We focus on recruiting more minority and disadvantaged youth into health careers because research and experience indicate they will be more likely to care for the medically underserved. As our population becomes more diverse, it is important that our healthcare workforce reflects that diversity.

Programs offered to educate and inspire youth to choose a career in health include:

- ☑ College Preparatory Courses
- ☑ Health Career Camps and Expeditions
- ☑ Health Career Presentations
- ☑ Mentoring Programs
- ☑ Summer Academy
- ☑ USF AHEC Access Day
- ☑ Guest speakers and more

These opportunities are designed for students to discover the possibilities available in the health professions, introduce them to the requirements for college and equip them with the tools, information and resources they need to pursue a health career.



Health Professions Summer Academy

June 13 - 26, 2010

USF AREA HEALTH
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About the Academy

The USF AHEC Health Professions Summer Academy is a two-week residential academic program intended to increase the college preparation skills of high school students interested in health professions careers such as: medicine, dentistry, nursing, pharmacy, physical therapy, allied health and public health. Students will be introduced to USF faculty in the Colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Public Health, Arts and Sciences, and the School of Physical Therapy. Professionals from health careers in dentistry, pharmacy and allied health will also provide college preparation information for students participating in the Academy.

The Academy strongly encourages enrollment of students from groups underrepresented in the health professions. Those groups include:

- ☑ African American/Black
- ☑ Mexican American or Puerto Rican
- ☑ Native American/Alaskan Native
- ☑ Low-income, first generation college students



Eligibility

Students will be selected from a highly competitive pool of applicants. Only students who meet the following criteria are eligible for the Academy.

- ☑ Students entering their junior or senior year of high school
- ☑ Students who live in Charlotte, Citrus, DeSoto, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas or Sarasota county
- ☑ Students who have a 3.0 un-weighted GPA
- ☑ Students who are underrepresented in the health professions and/or disadvantaged (low-income, first generation college students)

Program Activities

During their two weeks in the program, students have an opportunity to engage in the following activities:

- ☑ Personal development workshops
- ☑ SAT/standardized test preparation course
- ☑ College admission and financial aid workshops
- ☑ USF college tours
- ☑ Hospital and clinic tours
- ☑ Field trips to theme parks
- ☑ Other workshops and seminars

Benefits

Each student will receive a **scholarship** to cover all Academy costs including:

- ☑ Tuition
- ☑ Room and board
- ☑ SAT/standardized test preparation materials
- ☑ Academy polo shirt and backpack
- ☑ Workshops presented by USF faculty and staff
- ☑ Transportation and field trips

Responsibilities

Students must adhere to all rules throughout the two-week program. Failure to comply with rules will result in dismissal of the participant from the Academy.

- ☑ Students must attend all classroom and extracurricular activities
- ☑ Students will be unable to check-out for overnight or weekends at home, except for emergencies
- ☑ Only parents are authorized to visit participants. No other visitors including boyfriends or girlfriends are permitted

