

Pre-health Club members,

There will be a **Pre-health Meeting this Friday, March 9th**, in Duckett Hall Auditorium at 1200. The Speaker will be from the **Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine**, which has a new campus in Spartanburg, SC. This is a great way to either introduce or augment your understanding of the differences between allopathic and osteopathic medicine.

Here are some upcoming opportunities that you should consider:

1. There will be a **Maymester course** offered here at The Citadel on **Medical Spanish** (SPAN 450 - 3 credit hours). Those interested should contact Dr. Hellín-García at [helling@citadel.edu](mailto:helling@citadel.edu).
2. **MUSC School of Medicine** is offering a “**Mini Medical School**” on **April 13-14**. **Registration is \$150 and is due by April 9th**. Information is linked, and registration form are available on the Pre-Health Information Bulletin Board in the Bond Hall corridor on the 3rd floor, across from Bond 317. I personally was able to do this my knob year, and I really found it to be a boon to better prepare myself as an applicant. I highly recommend it.
3. **MUSC** will also be having an **Annual Surgeon's Conference on Sunday, April 15**. This will feature speakers from the General Surgery Department as well as different surgical specialties. The conference will also focus on CV/Resume presentation for medical students, information on the Medical School admissions process, and an informal Q&A session with current surgical residents. **The cost of attending this conference is \$10, and you must RSVP by April 1st**. This is a great way for all of you Pre-meds to get some exposure to the nuances of the surgical field. Additional questions can be directed to Roxana Pourdeyhimi at [pourdeyh@musc.edu](mailto:pourdeyh@musc.edu).
4. **The University of South Carolina** will host intensive five day **Pre-Med Summer Camps** from May 20-24th and June 3-7th. This is a residential program that offers personal attention to participants in order to help them prepare stronger applications. Applicants must have earned at least 60 hours of college credit by the end of this spring semester to be eligible. **Activities will include, personal statements workshops, a human cadaver dissection at the USC School of Medicine, shadowing in local hospitals, and a panel presentation by current medical students. and an AMCAS overview**. This opportunity will help highly-motivated students learn how to showcase their abilities, skills, and motivation throughout the application process to med school. This program is by application only with a limited number of spots available. The price is \$895, which includes deluxe accommodations at the Inn at USC, all meals, transportation while attending the camp, activities, workbooks and handouts. For more information, visit [www.sc.edu/oppa](http://www.sc.edu/oppa) or email [korpita@sc.edu](mailto:korpita@sc.edu).

In addition to formal programs like these, this is a good time to begin calling health professionals to set up shadowing during the spring or summer breaks. You are at the mercy of their schedules, so call early and be flexible!

Finally, we will be having club officer elections at our final meeting on Friday, April 13th. I highly encourage all of you motivated pre-health students to consider running for a position. We

will need hard workers to maintain and continue to improve this club. All four positions will be open for the taking (President, VP, Secretary and Treasurer). We will first take names for interested candidates for President. Then those candidates will speak, and all the club members will vote. We will then continue down the list of positions, allowing those who were not elected previously to run again for other positions if they wish. In the past, successful candidates were those that displayed their passion for the health field and ideas for improving the club. So start thinking now!

Good luck with your Midterms, and I hope to see you at our meeting on Friday!

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