

2023/2024 PROGRAM DATES

November 20	Application Opens
February 9	Application and Official Transcript Due
Early April	Notice of Acceptance
April 22	Documentation & Vaccination Requirements Due
May 20	Move-In, Pre-Program Activities
May 21	Orientation
June 20	Program Graduation



PARTICIPANT COMMITMENTS

- Reside in provided free housing
- Remain in town for program duration
- Drive to all shadowing, research, and instructional engagements
- Do not enroll in a concurrent course (Academic or MCAT Prep)
- Comply with minimal to no work commitments (none during week)
- Complete all scheduled clinical shadowing hours
- Fulfill all research project deadlines

Pathway To Med School
is a collaborative initiative
with the following partners:



ABOUT US

Foothills Area Health Education Center (AHEC) is a community-driven, non-profit organization serving Northeast Georgia. Our mission is to partner with communities to recruit, train, & retain health care professionals in our region and to improve their supply and distribution in medically underserved areas, ultimately improving the health of our citizens.



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PATHWAY TO MED SCHOOL



A Program for Pre-Med Students Interested in
Becoming a Georgia Primary Care Physician

MAY/JUNE 2024

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area health education center

Are You Interested in Primary Care?

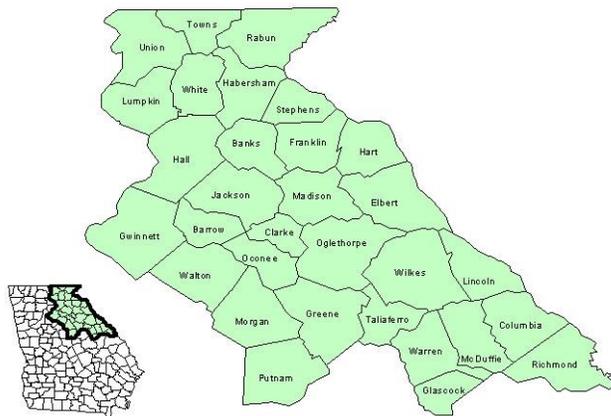
Foothills Area Health Education Center (AHEC), in collaboration with community partners from across the region, developed the Pathway to Med School Program specifically for undergraduate pre-medical college students planning to attend medical school and become primary care physicians in the state of Georgia.

Primary care physicians act as the first and principal point of contact for health care. They complete board training and provide day-to-day care in core specialty areas, such as:

- Family Medicine
- Internal Medicine
- Pediatric Medicine
- Women's Health

Only a limited number can be accepted due to the intensive nature of the program, and students from Foothills AHEC's 31-county service region (see below) will be given preference.

Students who participate in the summer, month-long program will enhance their understanding of primary care and their ability to gain admission to medical school.



ARE YOU UP FOR THE CHALLENGE?

The Foothills AHEC Pathway to Med School Program is a 180-hour structured, residential experience during the months of May & June. Here's what the program offers you:

80 HOURS CLINICAL SHADOWING EXPERIENCE:

You'll shadow primary care physicians in Foothills AHEC's service area (see map at bottom left) to obtain real-world experience in the four primary care specialties.



60 HOURS COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH:

You'll conduct medical research in groups under the supervision of a physician, create research posters, and present findings at graduation and potential family physician conferences.

40 HOURS INSTRUCTIONAL TIME:

You'll participate in educational sessions that will help prepare you for application and matriculation to medical school including:

- *A mock interview session with Georgia medical school admissions representatives*
- *Two campus visits to local medical schools*
- *A physician roundtable dinner*



ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

To be eligible, all applicants must:

- Be at least a college sophomore and enrolled in a pre-medicine curriculum.
- Have a minimum 3.0 math/science GPA and minimum 3.0 overall GPA
- Be a legal Georgia resident and U.S. Citizen
- Have reliable transportation to all program engagements over the four-week term
- Not apply to the SOWEGA-AHEC Program



How To Apply

Complete the online application and essay at:

 www.surveymonkey.com/r/PTMS2024

The online application, essay, and all **official** transcripts must be received by the deadline of

February 9, 2024 at 5:00 P.M.