Happy Pride Month Huskies!
This month & every month our office is proud to celebrate, support, and uplift all LGBTQIA+ healthcare Huskies. We see you and are here for you!
Do you have any new items on your résumé that you’ve added since the time of your applicant coaching session? We want to hear about it! Please help us to include the most accurate information in your personalized cover letters by emailing us about any new and confirmed activities since your coaching session.

**EXAMPLE UPDATES:**
- Clinical work begun since your coaching session
- New job acceptances
- Confirmed growth year plans
- New volunteer work
- Anything newly started since your coaching session

**LOOKING AT THE NUMBERS....**

As of June 16th...
- 257 HPAPs have been submitted
- 228 Applicant Coaching Sessions have been held
- 24 applicant Coaching Sessions are scheduled
- 5 applicants are waiting to be scheduled
- 80 HPLPs have been submitted
- 25 Letter Packets have been submitted (7 dental, 18 medical)
- 20 Letter Packets are in the "final check" stage
- 25 Letter Packets are currently being compiled

**SUMMARY POINTS:**
- The earliest that letter packets need to be received so that they will not hold up application review for any medical applicants is early-mid July
- You can & should submit your primary before we submit your letters
- For information on how to request your letter packet on AMCAS/AACOMAS/TMDSAS please visit: premed.uconn.edu/primary-applications/applicant-ids/

**VIRTUAL WORKSHOP**

Join us for a 30-minute presentation and a 30-minute Q&A on this application cycle’s secondaries best practices!

Mon, June 27th 8pm
[https://uconnvtc.webex.com/meet/prereadvis](https://uconnvtc.webex.com/meet/prereadvis)
Our submission of your letter packet is independent of your submission of your primary.

You **CAN** and are encouraged to submit your primary application before we submit your letter packet. Your primary, unlike the letter packet, will need to undergo a verification process.

**'HOW DO I REQUEST A LETTER PACKET ON AMCAS OR AACOMAS?'**

Please visit our website for specific details: [https://premed.uconn.edu/primary-applications/applicant-ids/](https://premed.uconn.edu/primary-applications/applicant-ids/)

Our webpage covers information such as who to list as the contact, what letter type to select, etc.

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**Letter Packet Process**

1. Submit your Applicant Portfolio
2. Request & collect individual letters
3. Provide your Application ID(s)
4. Discuss it in a Coaching Session
5. Advising Office compiles & submits your Letter Packet
Q: What happens after all of my letters are submitted?

A: We review all of your letters to ensure that they have:
  ✻ an official letterhead
  ✻ a handwritten or electronic signature
  ✻ a date

Q: What if one of my letters has a formatting issue?

A: We will reach out to you directly at which point you will need to follow up with your recommenders to receive updates. If there are no formatting issues, you will not receive any email from us!

Q: What happens after the office has finished reviewing my letters?

A: You’ll be prompted by email that you have been moved to the ID Submission stage in the Quest Portal. This is when you will need to provide your relevant applicant IDs to our office so that we can formally submit your letter packet.

Q: Where do I provide the office with my AAMC ID?

A: Via the Quest Portal. For more info: premed.uconn.edu/primary-applications/applicant-ids/.

Q: I want to submit my primary, but one of my letters of rec hasn’t been submitted yet. What do I do?

A: That’s okay! You also do NOT need to have your letters in in order to submit your primary application. Go ahead and submit your primary whenever you’re ready.

As long as our office submits your formal letter packet by early- to mid-July, it will not hold up the evaluation of your candidacy.

Please be patient with your recommenders, particularly your professors. It’s a busy time of year for everyone. Hang in there!
University of Connecticut Health Leaders

FALL 2022 VOLUNTEER COHORT APPLICATIONS OPEN

DESCRIPTION:
The University of Connecticut Health Leaders (UCHL) program is a community-based, pre-health program with the intention of bridging health care disparities by addressing social determinants of health. The program focuses on training pre-professional students on how to advocate for and improve the way care is delivered to patients. Click here to read more about the program!

TO APPLY:
Click here to apply! The deadline to apply is Friday, July 1st at 11:59PM.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
The program will run from September 12th to November 18th, with a mandatory training day on September 10th. Volunteers will be required to complete at least 40 hours. Volunteer shifts are available from 8AM-5PM Monday through Friday.

There will be an information session Tuesday, June 14th from 4-5PM. The Zoom link for the sessions will be on the UCHL website.
Health360 is currently accepting applications for the CT Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Network HEALTHForward AmeriCorps program. The HEALTHForward AmeriCorps Program aims to increase health and health career knowledge in disadvantaged communities through implementation of the Youth Health Service Corps (YHSC) and Collegiate Health Service Corps (CHSC) service learning programs.

- YHSC and CHSC are health career recruitment programs that engage diverse students as leaders in service learning that addresses community health issues.
- HEALTHForward AmeriCorps members recruit, train and manage students in the YHSC and CHSC programs, exposing students to health care careers and teaching them how to successfully enter onto upwardly mobile health care career ladders.
- In addition, HEALTHForward AmeriCorps members aim to improve underserved communities' health knowledge through implementation of Community-Based Experiential Training Programs with health professions students.
- Full position description: https://tinyurl.com/2rxxfwup/
- This is a full-time, 10-month commitment beginning September 2022 (perfect growth year opportunity!).

Service sites are at CT AHEC offices in Farmington (UConn Health), Hartford, Norwich, Shelton and Waterbury.

Interested applicants should email their resumes to Jackie Nickolas at nickolas@health360.org.

For more information, contact: Ellen Ravens-Seger at 860-679-7969 or ravensseger@uchc.edu
The Biomedical Science Careers Program (BSCP) was founded in 1991 with the aim of increasing the representation of underrepresented minority and disadvantaged individuals in all facets of science and medicine while helping health care institutions, biopharma/biotechnology firms, educational institutions, professional organizations and private industry members meet their need for a diverse workforce.

BECOME AN EMT!

The Yeshiva University EMS Club is offering a 15 days hybrid EMT course this summer. Classes are primarily online, with 5 in-person sessions for skills (location: New York, NY).

FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER, PLEASE VISIT:
HTTPS://DOCS.GOOGLE.COM/FORMS/D/E/1FAIPQLSCMWTPABREE8LLMEFHPLKBJRMHBWLDPV3DL7ZBBI43PAAQ2NW/VIEWFORM

CLICK HERE TO READ THE JUNE 2022 BSCP NEWSLETTER:
WWW.BSCP.ORG/WP-CONTENT/UPLOADS/2022/06/WHATS-HAPPENING-AT-BSCP-JUNE-2022.PDF
The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's (CFF) Tomorrow's Leaders College Program goal is to create an opportunity for students age 18+ from high school, college, and recent graduates to build leadership skills, learn the story behind cystic fibrosis (CF) research and science, and network with like-minded peers while making a difference. The program will run for two weeks from August 9-18 every Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. ET. Participants will virtually attend four seminar sessions with optional social and networking activities. Depending on the level of participant involvement, the program will take 6-10 hours to complete. Participants may be eligible to receive service learning or volunteer hours for completing this course.

APPLY BY FRIDAY, JULY 29TH AT NOON

CFF.SWOOGO.COM/COLLEGEPROGRAM

APPLY FOR PAID USG POSITIONS!

There are a number of 2023-2023 paid student positions with the UConn Undergraduate Student Government (USG) that are hiring including: Student Services Deputy Director, Environmental Justice Coordinator, Food Insecurity Coordinator, Transportation & Recreation Coordinator, Mental Health & Wellness Coordinator, Sexual Health & Wellness Coordinator.

For more information, please visit: docs.google.com/document/d/10zv23EVI6sbOkh2P1tUeghvUumz8c73fEotyjjlB_s4/edit

Questions?
Contact Sydney Collins at studentservices@usg.uconn.edu
Hearts for Health (H4H) is a nonprofit organization promoting accessible, engaging opportunities for pre-health students. H4H brings forward **virtual shadowing opportunities** as a solution, where students can learn and interact with healthcare professionals of various specialties.

Sessions are free to attend and livestreamed on Youtube. Participants are awarded 1 virtual shadowing hour per session. In order to be awarded shadowing hours, the session's quiz must be passed with a minimum score of 60% on the first attempt. Quizzes are available until 11:59pm CST on the Wednesday following each session. For more information: hearts4health.wixsite.com/hearts4health.

**Disclaimer:** "Hearts for Health strives to put forward this shadowing opportunity as close to in-person shadowing in the hopes that medical schools will consider the surrounding circumstances of the ongoing pandemic and accept these shadowing hours. However, Hearts for Health cannot speak for whether medical schools will accept these hours for shadowing. If, at the time of application, medical schools do not accept virtual shadowing hours to be listed under the shadowing category, we suggest to list hours for other applicable categories like "Other" or "Extracurricular Activities."

**Upcoming feature:**

**Dr. Jamin Brahmbhatt**

**Thursday July 7th
8-10pm EST**

Dr. Jamin Brahmbhatt is a board-certified urologic surgeon and Assistant Professor of Urology at UCF College of Medicine. He is co-founder of the Drive 4 Men’s Health, a nonprofit public engagement campaign that has encouraged millions of men to eat better, get active, and engage in preventative medical screenings. He speaks on topics including physician burnout, improving quality of healthcare, men’s health and inspiring our future generations.
We are seeking a talented, creative individual to serve as a Participant Retention Coordinator at the National Coordinating Center for the DIAGNOSE CTE Research Project. The DIAGNOSE CTE Research Project is an NIH-funded, 7-year, multicenter, multidisciplinary, longitudinal clinical research study of chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE). The goals of the project are to: develop methods of diagnosing CTE during life (including neuroimaging and fluid biomarkers), refine and validate diagnostic criteria for the clinical diagnosis of CTE, and investigate genetic and head impact exposure risk factors for CTE. The National Coordinating Center is located within the Boston University (BU) CTE Center at BU School of Medicine. This is an exciting time to be part of this groundbreaking project. All baseline evaluations are completed and (3+ year) follow-up evaluations are in progress.

**Responsibilities**

- Develop and implement strategies to maintain communication with study participants between baseline and follow-up evaluations to prevent attrition
- Screen study participants (120 former NFL players and 60 controls) and study partners for safety and decisional capacity prior to follow-up evaluations
- Schedule participant visits for remote neuropsychological tests and in-home blood draws
- Prepare retention reports and present at Investigator Meetings
- Possibility of administering neuropsychological tests and conducting clinical interviews

**Qualifications**

- Bachelors’ degree (or equivalent) in Psychology/Neuropsychology, Neuroscience, Public Health, Sports Medicine, or related field
- Exceptional organizational, interpersonal, and oral and written communication skills
- Proven excellence as a team player
- Previous experience in a clinical research setting is preferred

**1-year Minimum Commitment**

This is an excellent opportunity for individuals planning to apply to medical school or graduate school in neuropsychology, public health, or neuroscience. Potential for growth and increased responsibilities within the Center, as well as authorship on publications.

**To Apply**

Email a cover letter and resume to:
Kaleb Batten, Project Administrative Coordinator, kobatten@bu.edu

References will be requested and an in-person interview will be scheduled for top applicants only.

www.sternneurolab.org • http://diagnosecte.com
**HOO HERE IS ALWAYS UP LATE?**

**SUMMER 2022**

*NIGHT OWL PRE-MEDICAL/PRE-DENTAL ADVISING HOURS*

Mondays & Wednesdays, 8p.m. -- 11 p.m. EST

Give us a HOOT through our [Appointment Request Form](#) if you'd like to set up a time!

If this is your first time requesting an advising appointment with our office, please follow the steps outlined on our website [here](#).

*All night owl appointments are with Krista Rogers,*
*Assistant Director of Pre-Professional Advising (and "Pre-Med/Dent Know-it-Owl")*

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**ARE YOU A FIRST-YEAR OR RECENT TRANSFER STUDENT?**

Welcome! We look forward to getting to know you and work with you during your time at UConn.

If you haven't already, please review our office's fall 2022 [overview document](#), which gives you an introduction into how to best engage with our office moving forward.

*For information about the various resources that UConn can offer you as an incoming student, please visit the page on our website for prospective students, linked [here](#). There, you'll find information about how to proceed if you accepted AP credits, what your major options are, connections to student clubs and organizations, and more!*
We encourage you to visit the Clinical Experience page on our website that has a comprehensive list of pre-health clinical experience opportunities, including a Pre-Health Clinical Opportunities document which lists places both pre-medical and pre-dental students have worked or volunteered.

NEED AN ADVISING APPOINTMENT?

If you're pre-med:  Fill out the appointment request form on our website.
If you're pre-dental: Email Dr. Abbott directly at thomas.abbott@uconn.edu to set up a time to meet.

Our office is available Monday-Friday all summer; please don't hesitate to reach out for an appointment!

LOOKING FOR A SUMMER POSITION?

We encourage you to visit the Clinical Experience page on our website that has a comprehensive list of pre-health clinical experience opportunities, including a Pre-Health Clinical Opportunities document which lists places both pre-medical and pre-dental students have worked or volunteered.

TAKING A GROWTH YEAR?

If you've just graduated and are embarking on your growth year (or if you're considering a growth year as an option) we encourage you to explore our Growth Year page to learn about different ways to bolster your candidacy.
That's it for now!
Stay tuned for our next newsletter...

Until then, stay in the loop with us by following us on Instagram @UConn_Premed_Predental!

"HOO"s ready for our upcoming secondaries workshop with Krista Rogers on Monday, June 27th at 8PM?!

Dr. Marja Hurley was recently awarded close to $3M in research funding to further understand sickle cell disease and its relationship with bone loss.

Check out our alumni features!