



## **SUNY Upstate Medical University College of Medicine**

# **Upstate Accelerated Scholars**

SUNY Upstate Medical University College of Medicine (Upstate) has an agreement with Hampton University (Hampton) that allows admitted Hampton students seeking the Bachelor of Science degree to be guaranteed acceptance into Upstate's Doctor of Medicine (MD) Program if they satisfy the following eligibility requirements:

# Eligibility

- An excellent high school GPA with a 90% average minimum
- Have extra-curricular activities that clearly document experience in a healthcare setting and a commitment to service work.
- SAT test scores of 1200 or better (combined Critical Reading & Math) or ACT test scores of 25 Composite or better. The score will not be rounded to meet this minimum.

#### **Hampton University**

- Accepted UAS students will be required to meet with their Hampton undergraduate academic advisor to craft a course schedule that meets the high academic science/general and major requirements expected of the program participants.
- Unofficial transcripts will be sent to Upstate at the end of each semester.
- Complete graduation requirements for their specified degree program, and complete the following Medical School prerequisite courses: Biology I and II, General Chemistry I and II, Organic Chemistry I, General Physics I and II (all science courses must include a laboratory component), Biochemistry and Statistics. Students must receive no grade lower than a "B" in these medical school prerequisites. All of the above courses must be completed at Hampton. Pass/Fail courses are not acceptable. If a student decides to withdraw from a course, prior permission must be granted by the Admissions Committee at Upstate this can be requested by email to the Upstate representative.
- **UAS** students are expected to carry a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours each semester.
- UAS students must maintain a high level of academic achievement (3.50-grade point cumulative average and a 3.50-grade point semester average in the sciences <u>each</u> semester) and make reasonable progress toward other goals (e.g., research and experiential).

• Complete and document 40 hours of volunteer service during the student's undergraduate career. It is strongly recommended that these hours be completed in direct contact with patients and physicians in a healthcare setting while at Hampton.

The MCAT requirement for admission into Upstate is waived for individuals accepted into the program.

## **Application Process**

- Students applying to Hampton must indicate their interest in being considered for the Upstate Accelerated Scholars (UAS) program.
- Students must be accepted to Hampton and then recommended by Hampton to be considered. Please note that acceptance to Hampton does not guarantee acceptance into the **UAS** program.
- The application package due December 15<sup>th</sup> from Hampton will include;
  - The original application to Hampton
  - o Statement of interest in medicine and the **UAS** program
- SUNY Upstate will screen candidates recommended by Hampton and determine which students will be invited to interview.
- SUNY Upstate will notify students invited to interview and coordinate accordingly.
- SUNY Upstate will inform students of their decisions and provide a conditional acceptance letter to the students selected. A cohort of up to (5) students may be admitted each academic year.
- Accepted students will be required to meet with their academic advisor to craft a course schedule that meets the high academic science/general and major requirements expected of program participants.
- Unofficial Transcripts will be sent to SUNY Upstate at the end of each semester.
- Acceptance into the UAS is binding. Students who apply to other medical schools once accepted into SUNY Upstate will be immediately withdrawn from the UAS program.

Please note that Hampton has a rolling admission process; if students plan to apply for the **UAS**, it is strongly recommended to apply to Hampton **before November 1**<sup>st</sup>. Complete application packages and supplements are submitted to UAS in December, so late applicants will not be accepted. If accepted, students are required to commit to Hampton by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

One of the goals of this program is to encourage diversity and provide a pathway to medical school for students from various academic backgrounds. As a result, students applying to the **UAS** are encouraged to consider non-traditional majors.

<sup>\*</sup>For additional information on application and curriculum requirements, please get in touch with Dr. Oluwatoyin Asojo, **Director**, **Pre-Health Program**, at <a href="mailto:oluwatoyin.asojo@hamptonu.edu">oluwatoyin.asojo@hamptonu.edu</a>