FOR APPLICATION

- NHSPM application “Online Google form” is on the NHCOE website (student section) at http://nhcoe.jabsom.hawaii.edu/students/native-hawaiian-student-pathway-to-medicine/

- Native Hawaiians (in Hawai‘i or the continental USA) are encouraged to apply. Those outside of Hawai‘i can attend workshops via video-telecommunication (ZOOM).

- NEIGHBOR ISLANDERS are welcomed to apply. Travel funding may be available for Native Hawaiian Neighbor Island students to come to Oahu for workshops.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Early consideration deadline: submit application packet by AUGUST 21, 2019
- FINAL DEADLINE: submit application packet by AUGUST 25, 2019

If deadline is extended, a notice will be posted on NHCOE website (student section).

The Native Hawaiian Student Pathway to Medicine (NHSPM) is a program of the Native Hawaiian Center of Excellence (NHCOE) at Department of Native Hawaiian Health, University of Hawai‘i John A. Burns School of Medicine (UH-JABSOM). The NHSPM program guides Native Hawaiian students on their path to becoming future physicians and health professionals. The curriculum consists of workshops and individualized advising/career counseling for scholars with a heart to serve Native Hawaiian communities and potential to be competitive medical school or pre-health applicants. There will be opportunities to do community health work and to apply for funding to prepare for the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT).

NHSPM Scholars receive

- Workshop Series
  Topics include
  o Learning from Native Hawaiian health professionals and med students
  o Navigating the med school application process, Interview skills, Mock interviews
  o Native Hawaiian Values, Knowledge, and Wellness
  o Learning skills & strategies
  o Community health work: Inspiring Native Hawaiian youth to live healthy

- Individualized Advising / Career Counseling
  o Discuss diverse options in the health professions and your career path
  o Discuss your medical school application strategy
  o Review your personal statement, application, grades, and MCAT scores
  o Receive assistance with clinical shadowing opportunities

- Opportunity to apply for NHCOE funding for MCAT Prep
  o Test taking strategies & Course materials
  o Full length MCAT practice exams
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NHSPM REQUIREMENTS

- NHSPM scholars will attend all 8 workshops (unless they have an excused absence). Those outside of Hawai‘i will attend workshop 1-4 by video-telecommunication (ZOOM) but cannot attend workshop 5-8 since we will be at community sites in Oahu such as Keaiwa Heiau or Mokauea Island where ZOOM is not available.

  Location: JABSOM Honolulu, Hawaii. Time: 9am – 4pm
  Workshop #1 Saturday Sept 14, 2019
  Workshop #2 Saturday Sept 28, 2019
  Workshop #3 Saturday Oct 26, 2019
  Workshop #4 Saturday Nov 23, 2019

  Location: Oahu community sites TBA. Time: 9am – 4pm
  Workshop #5 SUNDAY Jan 26, 2020
  Workshop #6 Sat or Sun February 2020
  Workshop #7 SUNDAY March 2020
  Workshop #8 Sat or Sun April 2020

- Selected participants will schedule NHCOE individualized advising appointments at least once every 6-12 months.

- Before taking the MCAT, NHSPM scholars must agree to complete at least 3 months of MCAT prep either in a prep program or on their own. NHSPM scholars can apply for NHCOE funding to assist with the cost of their MCAT prep.

ELIGIBILITY

- Preference given to Native Hawaiian applicants
- Pre-med Student: Applying to University of Hawai‘i John A. Burns School of Medicine (UH-JABSOM) hoping to enter medical school in July 2020, 2021, or 2022.
- College Junior or Senior by Spring 2020. College graduates from any institution (with Bachelor’s degree or higher) are welcome to apply.
- Completed (or started) at least 3 of the following pre-requisite subjects for taking the MCAT. Consider re-taking these classes if you received a C- or lower grade.
  - Biology
  - General Chemistry
  - Organic Chemistry
  - Physics
  - Biochemistry
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COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET includes

- NHSPM application form. Please use “Online Google form” (see page 1). However, if you have persistent problems with the “Google Form” NHSPM application, please email Dr. Sasha Fernandes at sfern@hawaii.edu because we might direct you to go to the NHCOE website (student section) to download “PDF version” of application and submit it via email to addresses below.

- Personal statement Essay (attach separate document).
  Describe the most important experiences in your life that led you on the path to becoming a physician. (About 1-2 pages or 500 words)

- Current Resume

- All College Transcripts (unofficial copy is fine)

- If you have a current, past, or draft AMCAS (med school application), please submit those document(s) as well. The AMCAS essay can be used as your NHSPM essay.

Please submit these documents to

BOTH email addresses: sfern@hawaii.edu and nhcoe@hawaii.edu

Or files can be upload and attached at the end of “Google Form” NHSPM application