



VERMONT AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS 2018 SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

MENTORSHIP 2018

Health Careers Exploration Programs

SUMMER PROJECTS 2018

Interprofessional Community-Based Experiences

Mentorships and **Summer Projects** are paid, summer work and learning opportunities hosted by the Vermont Area Health Education Centers (AHEC). All of these opportunities are open to graduate-level health professions students and Larner College of Medicine students.

Mentorships

Mentor positions are open to health professions students including nurse practitioner, social work, Larner College of Medicine students and other graduate-level health professions students. Your role as a Mentor is to help deliver health science and career exploration components of the program, to share your knowledge and experience as a role model for Vermont high school students, and to be chaperones during the week.

MedQuest is a week-long, campus-based health careers exploration program. Five **MedQuest** programs are offered in summer 2018 throughout Vermont. Four **MedQuest** programs are residential and involve providing around-the-clock supervision to students. **MedQuest** at the University of Vermont is a day program with one overnight on campus.

The Governor's Health and Medical Institute with Vermont AHEC is a week-long, deep dive into public and population health issues in Vermont. This residential program at St. Michael's College culminates in a student project presentation, coached by Mentors.

Summer Projects

Summer Projects are designed to offer interprofessional, community-based service-learning opportunities for nurse practitioner, social work, Larner College of Medicine students, and other graduate-level health professions students. These experiences provide students with a deeper understanding of health care in rural Vermont, caring for underserved populations, the important role of the community, and the challenges and rewards of this work and setting. A mentor at the regional AHEC will supervise the projects, connect you with peer mentors and community and clinical preceptors, and be a resource as your project develops. All **Summer Projects** require access to a car. For projects outside of the Champlain Valley region, housing can be provided.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION

This is a competitive application process with selection based on experience and interest in our program priorities. The **Mentorships** require a balance of male and female Mentors. You are welcome to apply for more than one opportunity, ranking them in priority order. **Summer Projects** may use rolling admissions if not all positions are filled.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MIDNIGHT, MARCH 5, 2018

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please numerically prioritize all programs that you are applying to, #1 being your first choice.

If you are not interested in applying to a particular program, please leave it blank. You may indicate more than one of each number. If multiple programs are equally interesting, place the same rank on all of them.



Serving Addison, Bennington, Rutland, Windham, and Windsor Counties

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For **MedQuest** questions contact Joan Devine: jdevine@svtahec.org

For **Summer Project** questions contact Susan White: swhite@svtahec.org

MedQuest

All of the **Southern Vermont** MedQuest programs provide health careers exploration opportunities to twenty high school students. MedQuest is a six-day commitment, plus a training session in Burlington in May. This date/time is set by mutual agreement. Must have a valid driver's license and may be expected to transport students in a rental vehicle. Compensation is \$1,250, with room and board included.

Advanced MedQuest

Advanced MedQuest is a second opportunity for returning MedQuest students and serves 15 students. The program is a five-day commitment, with a training session in May. Compensation is \$850, with room and board included.

___ **MedQuest** at Southern Vermont College in Bennington:
Sunday – Friday, June 17 – 22, 2018

___ **MedQuest: Emergency Medicine** at Landmark College in Putney:
Sunday – Friday, August 5 – 10, 2018

___ **Advanced MedQuest** at UVM:
Sunday – Thursday, July 15 – 19, 2018

Summer Project

Vermont Proud: Assessing the Need for Community Based Physicians. Come explore the challenges for rural patients and experience the value of home visits. **Southern Vermont AHEC** is seeking an inter-professional team of 2 graduate-level medical, nursing or social work students. Students will have an opportunity to examine the challenges rural Vermont patients face that keep them from coming in to a clinic for heart health checkups, important follow-up to test A1C levels, or untreated situations that can necessitate a hospital emergency room visit. Specific project details to be determined. Personal transportation is required. Housing will be arranged.

Check out our website for a detailed description and learning objectives: <http://www.svtahec.org/programs/college-student/student-projects/>

___ **SVAHEC Summer Project** (dates to be determined): **\$1,000 for 100 hours.**



Serving Caledonia, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, and Washington Counties

347 Emerson Falls Road, Suite 3, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819 – (802) 748-2506

For questions about **Mentorship Opportunities** contact Carlinne DeLima: cdelima@nvtahcec.org

MedQuest at Northern Vermont University (Johnson Campus)

Northern Vermont AHEC is seeking four graduate health professions students to serve as mentors and supervisors for twenty-one high school students during MedQuest Health Careers Exploration Week. MedQuest is a seven-day commitment, including a one-day orientation on Saturday, June 23rd. The program duration is six days and five nights. Compensation is \$1,000, with room and board included.

MedQuest at the University of Vermont

This is a non-residential day program. **Northern Vermont AHEC** is seeking four graduate health professions students to serve as mentors to 25 high school students. This is a six-day commitment including one overnight stay at UVM on Friday, July 13th and a one-day orientation on Sunday, July 8th. Compensation is \$850.

The Governor’s Health and Medical Institute with Vermont AHEC

Governor’s Institute of Vermont and **Northern Vermont AHEC** are seeking five mentors and supervisors for 25 to 30 high school students. This is a seven-day commitment, including a one-day orientation on Saturday, July 21st. The program duration is six days and five nights. Compensation is \$1,000, with room and board included.

___ **MedQuest at Northern Vermont University (Johnson Campus):**
Sunday – Friday, June 24 – 29, 2018

___ **MedQuest at the University of Vermont:**
Monday – Saturday, July 9 – 14, 2018

___ **The Governor’s Health and Medical Institute with Vermont AHEC at St. Michael’s College:**
Sunday – Saturday, July 22 – 28, 2018



Application Form: Demographic and Background Information

Male Female

Last Name First Name Date of Birth

Mailing Address City State Zip Code

Telephone # Current email address Permanent email address

Current graduate or professional school Program of Study/Discipline Expected graduation date

Undergraduate school name Undergraduate School State Graduation year (yyyy)

High School Name and State

Race and ethnicity

Please check the boxes that best describe your ethnic background (check all that apply):

- American Indian or Alaska Native
Asian
Black or African American
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
White
Are you Hispanic or Latino? Yes No

Other

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No

Are you a National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Scholar? No Yes-- since (mm/yyyy)

Are you applying to other summer opportunities (other than MedQuest and/or Summer Projects)? Yes No

If yes, what:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime, including traffic violations, misdemeanor or felony conviction? Yes No

A criminal or civil conviction will not necessarily be a bar to employment. To help us evaluate your application, please describe your criminal conviction(s), listing the nature of your offense, date, & your rehabilitation since the conviction(s):

Application Form: Narrative/Essay Information

For Mentorship Applicants:

Please describe what skills, experience, and knowledge you would bring to mentoring high school students (up to 900 characters each answer):

1. Experience with middle and high school students in camp, recreation or youth groups (as a director, leader, facilitator or participant). Please note any involvement or knowledge of teambuilding activities during these or other experiences.
2. Specific or unique medical knowledge or skills that you could share in a one-hour group setting that would provide a learning opportunity for health careers exploration students.
3. What are the unique experiences and events that led you to choose a career in health care? How would you share this information with high school students as they contemplate careers in health care?
4. Why do you want to become a mentor in this program?

For Summer Project Applicants:

1. What is your interest in Vermont and/or rural primary care? Please include any experience with and/or interest in interdisciplinary team practice, experiential learning, community projects or other relevant experience.
2. Please describe why you would like to participate in a Summer Project, what you bring to the project or how you envision this experience fitting with your long-term professional goals.

All materials should be sent to Carlinne DeLima at cdelima@nvtahec.org or
NVT AHEC, 347 Emerson Falls Road, Suite 3, St. Johnsbury, VT 05819

Decisions will be based on the best match for each program.

Applicants will be notified by March 19, 2018. This is a competitive process.

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Professional References
Please list at least one College Faculty member.

Reference #1

Last Name		First Name		Relationship	
Organization			Email Address		
Phone Number	Mailing Address		City	State	Zip Code

Reference #2

Last Name		First Name		Relationship	
Organization			Email Address		
Phone Number	Mailing Address		City	State	Zip Code

Reference #3

Last Name		First Name		Relationship	
Organization			Email Address		
Phone Number	Mailing Address		City	State	Zip Code

Resume or CV:
Please submit your most recent resume or CV as an attachment.

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