STANFORD MSTP BOOST
(Bridge to Opportunity, Support, and Training)
April 24-26, 2024

CRITERIA & ELIGIBILITY

- Sophomore or above at a 4-year university; graduates of 4-year programs not in PhD programs are also eligible.
- Students who, by reason of their culture, class, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, background, work and life experiences, and/or skills and interests would bring diversity (broadly defined) to graduate study in medicine and biological sciences
- Demonstrated interest in pursuing a MD-PhD in the biosciences (i.e. prior scientific research experience or intent to participate in research in the upcoming academic year)
- Completed application submitted by the deadline (January 20, 2024)
- Must be available for the entire program (from April 24-26, 2024)
- In general, a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher will be competitive for this program. However, applicants with GPA below 3.0 may still apply; applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis, incorporating relevant information from the essay responses which might explain lapses in academic performance.

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About BOOST (Bridge to Opportunity, Support, and Training):

Stanford MSTP BOOST aims to boost underrepresented minorities’ opportunity to pursue the physician-scientist career and equip undergraduates with tools for successful MSTP applications. Prospective MD-PhD students selected for BOOST will attend our program during April 24-26, 2024. The events connect them to the Stanford community and build their professional skills required for the MD-PhD admissions process.

Additionally, Stanford MSTP BOOST pairs each prospective student with a current MSTP student, who guides them throughout their quest to MD-PhD admission. Stanford MSTP BOOST is sponsored by the Stanford School of Medicine, MSTP, Office of the Vice Provost for Graduate Education, and Biosciences.

Opportunities through BOOST:
- Longitudinal guidance from a current MSTP student
- Networking with MD/PhD faculty and students
- Mock interviews for MD-PhD admissions
- Personalized assistance with professional documents (e.g. CV, essays)
- One-on-one meetings with Stanford PIs

Application Requirements:
- Copy of an unofficial transcript (official transcripts will be required later for students who are accepted into the program)
- One letter of recommendation (a second letter is optional)
- Resume/CV
- Essay responses on application form

Program Logistics:

BOOST will be held in person in 2024. Scholars will have the opportunity to tour the campus and meet and engage in person with Stanford students and faculty. The program will cover transportation, accommodations, and meals for program participants.

To apply, please visit Stanford MSTP MD-PhD website (med.stanford.edu/mstp.html).

Application Deadline: Jan 20, 2024