

Stanford University School of Medicine's LEADERSHIP IN HEALTH DISPARITIES PROGRAM

OUR PROGRAM

The Leadership in Health Disparities Program (LHDP) evolved from the Stanford Medical School's Early Matriculation Program (EMP) that began in 1984 to promote academic careers in medicine among minority and disadvantaged medical students. Over the past decades, the EMP was successful in helping students achieve academic and leadership careers. Yet, because of the persistence of health inequities in the nation, the EMP evolved into the LHDP to create the next generation of physician leaders committed to addressing health disparities.

SUMMER PROGRAM & TWO-YEAR LEADERSHIP SEMINARS

LHDP is available to all Stanford medical students in the summer quarter prior to starting their first year of medical school. It is directed at initiating a successful medical and leadership career, and a two-year leadership seminar series during the school year focused on increasing students' knowledge of health inequities, the roles of physician leader, and their leadership challenges. We encourage students interested in careers addressing health inequities to consider this program.



Dr. Fernando Mendoza, Founder of LHDP and Professor Emeritus of General Pediatrics, with future leaders in medicine.

The summer is comprised of a six-week program that offers students the following activities:

- Introduction to population health disparities.
- Meetings with medical and community health leaders on issues of health disparities.
- Weekly sessions on developing leadership skills in medicine and meeting with physician leaders.
- Exposure to research opportunities with faculty in one of the scholarly concentrations.
- Introductory Anatomy course integrating concepts of basic science with clinical science.
- Introduction to Patient Care course designed to provide early hands on introduction to taking patient histories and conducting standardized patient exams.
- Interactions with medical students, residents

“The program enables students to develop skills as leaders, researchers, and mentors. I really appreciated the diversity of the learning environments that we encountered...” – LHDP Student



SUMMER PROGRAM DEADLINE

May 4, 2022

Space in the summer program is limited!

Depending on conditions related to COVID-19 the summer LHDP may be offered as a virtual experience consistent with Stanford University mandates and guidance.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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IMPORTANT DATES

May 4, 2022 - Registration deadline for LHDP

Early May 2022 – Online Summer Housing Registration Deadline (First Round)

June 21, 2022 - Start date of LHDP

July 29, 2022 - Last day of LHDP

PROGRAM FINANCES FOR SUMMER PROGRAM

Stanford medical students enroll for the summer quarter. Participants receive a research assistantship, which covers the research rate tuition and salary covering the estimated cost of living expenses for the six-week program. The research assistantship in most instances offsets most, if not all, of the costs. Additional financial aid is not available and typically not required.



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