

# UT Southwestern Emergency Medicine Visiting Elective Program

Diversity, inclusion, and equity are core goals in UT Southwestern's Department of Emergency Medicine. The Department of Emergency Medicine offers the Emergency Medicine Visiting Elective Program. The program provides support for fourth-year medical students who are interested in serving an underserved patient population and completing their graduate medical education in emergency medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center. The UT Southwestern Visiting Elective Program reflects our commitment to creating a workforce that will work to alleviate health disparities and ensure exceptional health care to an ever-evolving patient population.

## Application deadline: Saturday, May 1, 2021.

Scholars will receive:

- \$2000 to cover reimbursement of travel costs to and from Dallas, UT Southwestern rotation fees, and housing for the rotation
- Unique networking opportunities

**Eligibility:** Eligible participants are full-time, current third-year/ rising fourth-year medical students (MS4 at the time of program participation/rotation) in good standing at accredited U.S. medical schools, who are interested in serving an underserved patient population. Each student must directly apply to the clinical rotation through the American Association of Medical Colleges' Visiting Student Learning Opportunities™ (VSLO™/VSAS) program prior to applying for the Visiting Elective Program.

### Application process:

- The UTSW visiting medical student application requirements can be found at [UTSW Application Requirements](#)
- Apply for your chosen elective in VSLO at [aamc.org/vslo](http://aamc.org/vslo).
- Additional Department of Emergency Medicine Requirements can be found at [Medical Students: Emergency Medicine](#)
- **Course Number - Course Name:** EMED 1901 - Emergency Medicine  
[Office of Enrollment Services](#)
- The UT Southwestern Emergency Medicine Visiting Elective Program application can be found at [Visiting Program Application](#)
- Send a Letter of Intent (1 page maximum), a copy of your USMLE Step 1 score, a copy of your CV, and any supplemental materials to [ava.pierce@utsouthwestern.edu](mailto:ava.pierce@utsouthwestern.edu) with "EMVEP [your name]" in the subject line
- In your letter of intent, please explain your path to medicine, and your demonstrated interest in serving underserved communities.

We will accept applicants for rotations starting in August 2021.

- Learn more about [UTSW Emergency Medicine](#)
- Learn more about [Diversity and Inclusion in Emergency Medicine](#)
- Learn more about Diversity and Inclusion at UTSW
  - [Diversity and Inclusion at UT Southwestern](#)
  - [UT Southwestern Faculty Diversity and Development](#)
  - [Racial Bias Resource](#)
  - [UT Southwestern Office of Student Diversity and Inclusion](#)

Some highlights of the program:

- VEP participants will be integral members of the team, providing emergency care for acutely injured or ill patients in the emergency departments (ED). Under the direct supervision of residents and faculty members, students will assess patients, formulate patient care plans, and implement patient care plans. In addition, they will observe, assist, and/or perform procedures as needed to care for their patients.
- VEP participants will participate in weekly student education sessions and weekly resident education sessions that incorporate multiple modalities and use modern principles of education to maximize learner benefit including small group, case-based, and longitudinal high-yield lectures.
- VEP participants will have the opportunity to receive mentoring by multiple UTSW EM faculty, including mentoring sessions with the clerkship faculty, weekly mentoring sessions with the department's Associate Chair of Diversity and Inclusion, a mentoring session with the Program Director, and a mentoring session with the Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education.
- VEP participants will have the opportunity to participate in departmental journal club, podcast club, finance club, book club sponsored by the diversity and inclusion committee, and cinebook club sponsored by the diversity and inclusion committee.

If you have any questions about the Visiting Elective Program, please contact Ava Pierce, MD at [ava.pierce@utsouthwestern.edu](mailto:ava.pierce@utsouthwestern.edu)

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