The Minority Students in Health Careers Motivation Program (MSHCMP) promotes diversity in the health and allied health professions by providing students from underrepresented backgrounds with an opportunity to develop skills that will increase their competitiveness for admission to medical school.

MINORITY STUDENTS IN HEALTH CAREERS MOTIVATION PROGRAM

“MINI” MEDICAL SCHOOL EXPERIENCE
Designed to be a first-semester medical school experience, this full-time, seven-week residential program focuses on enhancing strengths and minimizing barriers that may limit participants’ candidacy for medical school. Students receive classroom instruction in select science courses from the medical school curriculum, shadow physicians, and attend supplemental workshops that help them develop strong admissions and financial aid applications. After completing this program which runs from Sunday, June 6 through Friday, July 22, 2016, each participant will have a realistic appraisal of his or her readiness for medical school.
ELIGIBILITY
This tuition-free program is open to college sophomores, juniors, seniors, and recent college graduates looking for a glimpse into the medical school experience. Applicants’ should be on track to be competitive candidates for medical school and their profiles should demonstrate how they will benefit from this experience. The committee considers several criteria when selecting 25 participants for this program including being a:

• Citizen or permanent resident of the United States
• Member of one of the following underrepresented backgrounds (racial and ethnic populations that are underrepresented in the medical profession):
  o American Indians or Alaskan Natives
  o Blacks or African Americans
  o Hispanics or Latinos
  o Native Hawaiians or Other Pacific Islander
• Must be one of the following:
  o Matriculating student who has completed at least two years of undergraduate science or premed coursework (including Organic Chemistry)
  o Recent science or premed graduate (post baccalaureate)
  o Matriculating unclassified graduate student in science pre-health profession education
• Minimum science and cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale

APPLICATION PROCESS
The application is available at http://diversity.med.miami.edu/summer-programs/miami-model-applications-2016 Complete application forms must be received in the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs by Friday, March 18, 2016 and should be accompanied by the following documents:

• Official academic transcript(s) from all colleges attended
• Three letters of recommendation from college professors
• Personal statement (specifics outlined in application)
• Wallet-size headshot or passport photo

Only complete applications will be considered for admission and applicants will be notified of their program status via email on Friday, April 1, 2016. Once accepted to the program, a $100 deposit is required to secure your space. Deposits will be returned upon completion of the summer program if the student demonstrates satisfactory progress as determined by the program executive director.

This seven-week, residential experience is fully funded through the Miller School of Medicine and participants will receive free coursework, books, supplies, meals, housing, and travel expenses. All students are required to reside on campus and will be provided with transportation between campuses. Round-trip airfare will also be provided for participants who live outside the South Florida area (Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties).