HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

We have had quite a busy semester here in the Premedical Programs Office. In the pictures on this page, you can see students participating in the Hospice of Dayton Remembrance walk (below), Ohio Medical Education Day at Ohio State University (below right), and selling coffee to raise money for the Global Brigades trip to Nicaragua (above right).

In this issue of our newsletter, you can read about many summer opportunities as well as some upcoming events. One important item is our annual application workshop in January for students who will be applying to medical or dental school in 2016. If you want to apply to any of the summer programs, refer to the program web sites for deadlines and application details.

To everyone going on the Global Brigades trip, we wish you safe travels and hope you have a great experience.

We wish all of you a wonderful holiday season and look forward to seeing you in 2016.

Dr. Scheltens and Dr. Simon
APPLICATION WORKSHOPS >>
If you are interested in applying to medical school or dental school in the coming year, you should attend one of two workshops to be held on Jan. 26 and 27 at 5:00 pm in the Science Center auditorium (SC 114). Because the same material will be covered on both days, you only need to attend one. The workshop will cover information to help you prepare for the application process, including the process for getting your letters of evaluation.

CHURCH HEALTH SCHOLARS >>
Church Health Scholars is a one-year fellowship for recent college graduates that combines practical work experience with academic and faith-based opportunities to serve underserved populations in Memphis, Tennessee. The Health Care Track is for individuals interested in careers in the medical or dental field. These scholars work in either the medical or dental clinic and are usually preparing to apply to medical or dental school. Church Health Scholars is a 12 month commitment beginning in June and provides a rich gap year experience. The application period opens December 1 and will close on March 1, 2016. For more information to to churchhealthcenter.org/chhscholars.

MCAT PREP COURSE AT WRIGHT STATE >>
The Pre-health Programs Office at Wright State University will be offering an MCAT Prep Course in Spring 2016. The course is taught by graduate and medical students from the Boonshoft School of Medicine. It will cost $600 and includes Examkrackers materials, AAMC online practice tests and 69 hours of instruction. The lectures will be held at Wright State University on Mondays and Fridays, January through April. The course orientation will be held on January 15. Registration will be open soon. For more information, go to science-math.wright.edu/pre-health/programs/mcat-prep-course or contact cosm-prehealth@wright.edu

SMDEP >>
The Summer Medical and Dental Education Program (SMDEP) is held at 12 sites around the country and is designed to increase the diversity of students applying to medical and dental schools. Eligible students are in their first or second year of college, have a minimum 2.5 GPA, and are US citizens or permanent residents. Other factors that are considered in the SMDEP admissions process include students identifying with a group that is underrepresented in medicine or dentistry or come from an economically or educationally disadvantaged background. Students must have a demonstrated interest in issues affecting underserved populations and submit compelling personal statements and strong letters of recommendation. The application opened November 1 and will close on March 1, 2016. Applications are considered on a rolling basis so early application is encouraged. For more information and application materials, go to smdep.org.

SMDEP FELLOWSHIP (SURF) PROGRAMS >>
Offered to students each summer at many medical schools, including several Ohio schools, SURF programs provide a foundation for making career choices in the biomedical sciences. If you are a first-year, sophomore or junior, you are eligible to apply to most SURF programs; some will also consider seniors. To apply, you must have an interest in a career in biomedical research, pharmacy or medicine, and be a United States citizen or permanent resident. You will be selected based on your academic record, responses to essay questions and your interest in obtaining research experience. Applications must be made to each individual program and deadlines vary. You are encouraged to apply early. The programs listed below are currently taking applications. See their individual websites for details, deadlines and online applications:

University of Toledo: u Toledo.edu/med/grad/surf.html
University of Cincinnati College of Medicine: med.uc.edu/SURF
Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center: cincinnatichildrens.org/education/research/surf/default
Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine: www.oucom.ohiou.edu/Admissions/SummerPrograms.htm
**SUMMER RESEARCH AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Interested in pediatrics? The Herman B. Wells Center for Pediatric Research at the Indiana University School of Medicine has a 10-week summer internship program focusing on pediatrics and biomedical research. Apply by Jan. 20 at wellscenter.iupui.edu/education/internships. The internship is unpaid.

For a prestigious research opportunity focusing on molecular pharmacology, apply to the summer undergraduate research program sponsored by the Department of Pharmacology at Case Western Reserve University. This 10-week program is held in Cleveland and includes a stipend, housing and food allowance. The application deadline is Jan. 31 and can be found at pharmacology.case.edu/education/surp.aspx.

If you are interested in pursuing a Ph.D. or dual M.D./Ph.D. in biomedical sciences, the Medical College of Wisconsin offers a summer program for your undergraduate research. The 10-week program provides a stipend and housing. Apply by Feb. 1 at www.mcw.edu/Graduate-School/Summer-Program-Undergraduate-Research-SPUR.htm.

Be a SUCCESS this summer at The Ohio State University College of Medicine's Summer Undergraduate Course Creating Excellence in Scientific Study (SUCCESS) Program. This program is a great way to enhance your education and prepare for a future in biomedical sciences, especially if you plan to continue your studies with a Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. To apply for the program, you cannot be an Ohio State University student, must plan to graduate in 2016 or 2017, and be a United States citizen or permanent resident. Applications are available online until Jan. 23 at medicine.osu.edu/mstp/success-program.

For more information about programs around the country, the Association of American Medical Colleges maintains a list at aamc.org/members/great/61052/great_summerlinks.

**NIH SUMMER INTERNSHIPS**

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) offer an opportunity to spend your summer working alongside leading scientists in biomedical research. These highly competitive internships are offered at several different locations and are open to all United States citizens and permanent residents enrolled in accredited universities. The internships last a minimum of eight weeks and include stipends. The application deadline for this program is March 1.

For the second year, the NIH is offering the Amgen Scholars Program. If you are a student interested in pursuing a Ph.D. or combined M.D./Ph.D. in the sciences, you can apply for the NIH-Amgen Scholars Program as a rising junior or senior. To be eligible for the program, you must be a United States citizen or permanent resident with a GPA of 3.2 or higher. If you are selected for the program, you will be matched with research mentors at NIH and will receive a monthly stipend. The application deadline is Feb. 1. Information and applications for both NIH programs may be found at training.nih.gov/programs/sip.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**

Each year, scholarships are made available through the Everhard Trust Fund, the Stephen E. and June H. Szabo Scholarship Fund and the Carl I. Michaelis Scholarship Fund. If you have completed your second year as a premed student and are a sophomore or junior enrolled at the University with plans to go to a primary health care professional school in the future, you are eligible to apply for these scholarships. To apply, you must be registered with the Premedical Programs office by completing the online survey. The survey can be accessed from the Register button on our web page at premed.udayton.edu. You must also be advised by one of the designated premedical advisers and participate in activities sponsored by the program or related student organizations. These activities can include the University of Dayton/Miami Valley Hospital Healthcare Symposium, Global Brigades, Alpha Epsilon Delta, Healing Hearts, Dental Interest Group or Multicultural Association of Premedical Students. Scholarships must be used to defray the expenses of tuition, fees, or room and board during your undergraduate education. Award amounts can vary depending on your qualifications and needs. Scholarships are awarded primarily for satisfactory academic performance and moderate financial need. Applications will be available at premed.udayton.edu beginning Jan. 29 and will be due by March 1.

**Congratulations to our premedicine and predentistry December graduates! Best wishes for a bright future.**

Drew Daniel Elson  
Michael John Franzese  
Felicia A. Gonzalez  
Sean Richard Kennedy  
Olivia Ruth Max  
Bailey Elizabeth Myers  
Kelsie E. Neal  
Delaine Lynn Oda  
Jessica Frances Smith  
Paul T. Stamas

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON & MIAMI VALLEY HOSPITAL HEALTHCARE SYMPOSIUM WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016**
November 25-29 — Thanksgiving break

December 8 — Christmas on Campus, no classes
December 11 — Last day of classes
December 12 - 13 — Study days

January 18 — Martin Luther King Day
January 19 — Spring Term classes begin
January 26 — Application deadline - ROSE Program (University of Cincinnati College of Medicine)

January 26 — Professional school application process workshop, SC Auditorium 114, 5:00 pm
January 27 — Professional school application process workshop, SC Auditorium 114, 5:00 pm
January 29 — Everhard, Michaelis, and Szabo scholarship applications available online

Congratulations to the following UD students who have been admitted to health professional schools for 2016!

Neal Bucher (MED) Ohio U Heritage COM
Arden Burch (MED) Logan U College of Chiropractic
Abigail Carr (MED) Butler U PA
Kristin Creel (MED) Wright State U Boonshoft SOM
Molly Fitch (BIO) Kettering U PA, Baldwin Wallace U PA, Ohio Dominican U PA, Butler U PA
Sofia Gillum (MED) Marian U COM
Kaleigh Hudak (EEP) U Dayton PA, U of Saint Francis PA
DJ Kleppel (BIO) U Toledo COM
Katie Korneffel (BIO) U Toledo COM
Jasmine Lahoud (BIO) Kettering U PA, U Dayton PA
Maggie McNamara (MED) Emory U Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing
Emily Mc Nerney (MED) Kettering U PA
Jonathan Melendez (MED) Ohio State U SOM
Mario Muttillo (MED) Marshall U School of Pharmacy
Michelle Naporano (BIO) Ohio U Heritage COM
Shayna Niese (EEP) U Findlay PA
Delaine Oda (MED) Kettering U PA, U Dayton PA
John Porter (MED) Ohio State U SOM, U Cincinnati COM
Maxwell Roeske (BIO) Ohio State U MD/PhD
Kathryn Schilling (MED) Marian U COM
Jessica Smith (MED) U Cincinnati COM
Hibba Sumra (MED) U Toledo COM
Meredith Taylor (MED) U Cincinnati COM, Ohio U Heritage COM