



2011 Della Keats/U-DOC Summer Enrichment Program

WWAMI—ALASKA'S MEDICAL SCHOOL
UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

Program Dates: June 19 — July 30, 2011
Application Deadline: March 29, 2011

Interested in a Career in HEALTH CARE?

The UAA Della Keats/U-DOC Summer Enrichment Program is a six-week intensive summer program for disadvantaged Alaskan high school students who are interested in careers in medicine and other health-care careers. The goal of the program is to foster, affirm and encourage high school students' interest in health professions through educational enrichment activities and job shadowing. The program also seeks to enhance student success by providing a valuable introduction to college life.

WWAMI—Alaska's Medical School encourages all eligible students to apply!

AM I ELIGIBLE?

To qualify you must:

1. Be a U.S. citizen, US national or permanent resident and a resident of Alaska
2. Be enrolled as a junior or senior in high school when you apply
3. Meet at least one of the following criteria:
 - Belong to an under-represented ethnic minority group;
 - Live in a rural area of Alaska;
 - Speak English as a second language;
 - Be a first-generation American;
 - Be economically disadvantaged; and/or
 - Be the first in your family to go to college

WHAT WILL I DO IN THE DELLA KEATS/U-DOC PROGRAM?

- Get a taste of college life
- Take short pre-med classes such as anatomy and physiology, microbiology, and biomedical ethics
- Discover the variety of career opportunities in health care
- Learn about biological, cultural, and social forces that impact health and health care
- Job-shadow health-care providers
- Develop a public health research project

WHAT WILL I LEARN IN DELLA KEATS/U-DOC?

- Basic laboratory techniques and research skills
- Use of computers and other technology
- Verbal and written communication skills
- Presentation skills, including use of video and Internet
- Problem solving and test taking skills
- How to succeed in college
- How to become a competitive candidate for medical school
- Money and time management skills

WHAT IF I DID DELLA KEATS/U-DOC IN 2010?

Students who completed the Della Keats/U-DOC program as juniors in 2010 and who are interested in research can apply to return to the program in 2011.

Successful applicants will take part in the 2011 program like all other students except that they will be expected to complete a mentored public health or biomedical research project in place of the normal academic curriculum.

WHAT ABOUT TRAVEL AND HOUSING?

Travel assistance may be available for qualifying students. All students will stay in a UAA dormitory facility for the entire six-week program. UAA housing is provided.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

There is no cost to participate in the program. A small stipend is provided to help cover food and other expenses.

Due to the Della Keats/U-DOC Program's demanding schedule, we require that students not hold jobs or participate in other programs while they are enrolled in the Della Keats/U-DOC Program.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Submit the following:

1. Completed 2011 Della Keats/U-DOC Summer Enrichment Program application packet, located at http://biomed.uaa.alaska.edu/dk_udoc.html
2. An official (sealed), current high school transcript (ask your school counselor how to obtain your transcript)
3. PSAT / SAT / ACT scores if available
4. Two sealed letters of recommendation from teachers (one letter must be from a science or math teacher)
5. Current photograph of yourself

Acceptance will be based on written responses to essay questions from the application form, letters of recommendation, high school academic performance, and a formal telephone interview.

Applications may also be obtained by writing or calling the Alaska WWAMI Office:

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