Our Commitment to Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI)

The University of Minnesota is committed to achieving excellence through equity and diversity. We value diverse views and experiences that enrich our academics and our profession as a whole. The Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, in conjunction with the Medical School, has the goal of creating an atmosphere where differences are valued, leading to a culturally responsive healthcare workforce qualified to meet the needs of the varied populations we serve.

About the DFMCH JEDI Medical Student Scholarship

Our DFMCH JEDI Medical Student Scholarship provides financial assistance for a 4th year visiting medical student from an underrepresented group who is planning to pursue residency training in Family Medicine in the FMCH 7500 course. The selected students (up to 6 students) will receive a stipend of up to $1000 to be used for their travel and/or housing expenses during their one month acting internship rotation with a program in our department. Please note that the selected applicants are not permitted to combine this award with other URiM Travel Awards through the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health or University of Minnesota Medical School.

Applicant Requirements

To qualify, applicants must be upcoming or current 4th year (Class of 2025) medical students or osteopathic medical students who attend domestic LCME-accredited or COCA-accredited medical schools.

The DFMCH utilizes a non-restrictive definition of underrepresented, including but not limited to socioeconomic status, gender identity, sexual orientation, rurality, and other identities and backgrounds that contribute to the diversity of the Family Medicine workforce.

Applicants must also provide the following materials:

- Current CV
- Personal statement addressing how you contribute to diversity, equity, and inclusion in the field of Family Medicine and Community Health

Application Process & Timeline

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis through the academic year (beginning May 2024 - final offer in January 2025). Interested applicants must first apply for the acting internship rotation through the VSLO or CentraCare application process. As part of the VSLO or CentraCare rotation application, the U of M DFMCH JEDI Medical Student Scholarship application link will be made available. Those selected for the award will be notified within 4 weeks of the course start date. If an individual is not selected they will receive no further communication.