



University of Minnesota/Tuskegee University Collaboration

Purpose	The Department of Surgery would like to provide an opportunity for Tuskegee University undergraduates who are interested in medicine with an immersion/ internship experience.
Introduction/Overview	We have an opportunity to explore a partnership with Tuskegee University and identify participants for an 8-week internship at the UMN Department of Surgery.
Objectives	<p>Provide URIM undergraduate students who are interested in a career in medicine an opportunity to participate in an eight week on-site immersion/internship to start in June and end in August with the following components:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shadowing experiences 2. Research opportunities 3. Core curriculum (i.e. How to navigate the medical school application process? MCAT Prep? What does the 'day in the life' of a medical student look like? How about a surgery resident?) 4. Social/cultural activities (Tentatively include: Tour of the Minnesota African American Heritage Museum, site visit to the George Floyd Memorial, MN Twins or St. Paul Saints baseball game, and others)
UMN Funded Components	<p>The program included the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing 2. Transportation to and from Minnesota 3. Hourly wage of \$15/hour (40 hours per week) 4. Immersion activities listed above
Target Participants	4 junior/senior undergraduates
Success Factors	<p>Post-survey will address:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Quality of the research experience 2. Quality of clinical shadowing experiences 3. Quality of the core curriculum components 4. Extent to which the experience has influenced career decision making 5. Suggestions to make the program more effective