



2012 Della Keats Health Sciences & Summer Research Programs

WWAMI—SCHOOL OF MEDICAL EDUCATION
UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

Program Dates: June 17—July 27, 2012

Applications Begin-Thursday, September 15, 2011

Application Deadline-Monday, April 2, 2012

Interested in a Career in HEALTH Sciences?

The Della Keats Health Science & Summer Research Programs are six-week intensive summer programs for underrepresented minority and disadvantaged Alaskan high school students who are interested in careers in the health sciences. 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. *UAA WWAMI—School of Medical Education encourages all eligible students to apply!*

AM I ELIGIBLE?

To qualify you must:

1. Be a U.S. citizen or US Nationals 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 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?

- 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 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.

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. Housing in a UAA residence hall is provided.

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

HOW DO I APPLY?

Submit the following:

- Completed 2012 Della Keats Health Sciences Summer Program application packet
- An official (sealed), current high school transcript (ask your high school counselor how to obtain your transcript)
- PSAT / SAT / ACT scores if available
- Two sealed letters of recommendation from teachers (one letter must be from a science or math teacher)
- 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.

Download application & recommendation form:

<http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/wwami/programs/dellakeats-udoc.cfm>

Applications may also be obtained by calling or emailing :

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