

PEPP Scholars Summer Programs 2009

Kentucky Professional Education Preparation Program
For Students Interested In
MEDICINE or DENTISTRY

JUNE 17 - JULY 14

**University of Kentucky PEPP
(Entering College Freshmen, Fall 2009)**

JUNE 6 – JUNE 19

**Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine PEPP
(High School – Entering 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th Grade, Fall 2009)**

The Professional Education Preparation Program (PEPP) was established to assist high school and pre-college students from medically underserved areas who intend to pursue a career as a physician or dentist and hope to return to their home county or similar area to practice. The programs offer a unique and exciting opportunity to experience a college environment, clinical / hospital activities, and the wonders of science and its application to careers in medicine and dentistry.

Eligibility

Students from any of the counties or two urban areas listed below are eligible to apply for PEPP Scholars. It does not matter where a student is planning to attend college. (Please also note the **ADDITIONAL ELIGIBLE COUNTIES *******.)

Allen	Carter	Grant	Laurel	Meade	Powell
Ballard	Casey	Grayson	Lawrence	Menifee	Robertson
Bath	Clay	Green	Lee	Morgan	Rockcastle
Bell	Crittenden	Greenup	Leslie	Muhlenberg	Spencer
Boyd	Cumberland	Hancock	Letcher	Nicholas	Todd
Bracken	Edmonson	Harlan	Lewis	Ohio	Trigg
Breathitt	Elliott	Hart	Logan	Owen	Trimble
Breckinridge	Estill	Henry	Lyon	Owsley	Washington
Bullitt	Fleming	Hickman	Madison	Pendleton	Wayne
Butler	Floyd	Jackson	Magoffin	Perry	Whitley
Campbell	Gallatin	Knott	Martin	Pike	Wolfe
Carroll	Garrard	Knox	McLean		

******* ADDITIONAL ELIGIBLE COUNTIES: *******

Students from the following counties are also eligible to apply for PEPP Scholars: Adair, Anderson, Barren, Carlisle, Clark, Johnson, Larue, Lincoln, Livingston, Marion, McCreary, Metcalf, Monroe, Shelby, Simpson, Union, Warren, and Webster.

Students who reside in Louisville in the area north of Algonquin Parkway and west of Seventh Street and in Lexington between Loudon Avenue and Forbes Road are also eligible to apply.

Overview

The primary focus of the PEPP Scholars Summer Programs is academic preparation and clinical / hospital experiences. Additionally, students will experience college dormitory life and participate in a variety of activities at medical and dental schools. Health-related seminars, as well as support regarding the admissions process for medical and dental school, are important components of PEPP.

University of Kentucky PEPP: UK PEPP Scholars will study chemistry and biology. They will have rotations in the Labor and Delivery and Operating Room departments at the UK Medical Center. Seminar topics include: medical and dental admissions, autopsy/pathology, cancer, organ transplants, genetic diseases and defects, hypnosis, massage therapy, compassion, ethics, people with disabilities, facial reconstructive surgery, and rural practice. Clinical site visits include the UK College of Medicine Human Gross Anatomy Lab (cadaver lab), a psychiatric hospital, and a children's hospital.

Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine PEPP: PCSOM PEPP Scholars will study the ten major human organ systems. Presentations by medical students will feature the anatomy, histology, physiology, biochemistry, pathology, and pharmacology of each system. The presentation of each organ system will include case-based problem solving exercises, and pro-sections will be studied in the Human Gross Anatomy Lab. Students will also take part in observations in local clinics and hospitals, and they will enjoy social activities and special presentations in the evenings.

Selection

The Selection Committee will carefully review the written personal statement, letter of recommendation, application, transcripts, and standardized test scores when determining the selection of participants. Applicants will be notified of their status around April 1. A limited number of alternates will also be selected and possibly be invited to participate as late as June. Except as noted, each student will receive a small stipend to assist with the cost of meals. Campus dormitory housing is provided. All participants are required to live in a campus residence hall and attend all program activities, including occasional weekend and evening activities.

PEPP IS LIMITED TO STUDENTS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PHYSICIAN OR A DENTIST.

PARTICIPATION IN PEPP IS FREE, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTION:

*****IMPORTANT*****

Pursuant to the requirements of the 1990 Kentucky General Assembly, students from families having a taxable income of \$75,000 or more as reported on their parent's most recent income tax returns will be required to pay \$1,500 towards the cost of participating in the program.

*****REQUESTS FOR A FEE WAIVER: If the applicant's family feels that payment of the \$1,500 fee would present a financial hardship, a WAIVER of this fee will be considered. Requests for a fee waiver should be submitted on a separate page along with the PEPP application documents. Fee waiver requests will be kept confidential and should include an explanation of any circumstances you wish to present for consideration.*****

For More Information, Please Contact:

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Please note: An additional PEPP Scholars Summer Program is administered at the University of Louisville. For further information about U of L PEPP (for entering college freshmen), contact the University of Louisville.

The Professional Education Preparation Program of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education is conducted in cooperation with the University of Kentucky, the University of Louisville, and the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine. Please submit the PEPP application with a personal statement (Essay), sealed letter of recommendation from a science or math teacher, your photograph, official transcript of high school grades through the fall term (2008) and PSAT, ACT, and/or SAT scores.

Please mail the following items to the program for which you are applying.

All application documents must be received by March 3, 2009.

- 1. Personal Statement (Essay)**
- 2. Sealed Letter of Recommendation from a Science or Math Teacher**
(The Letter of Recommendation must be confidential and sealed and signed by the teacher on the seal of the envelope. This letter should include an assessment of the applicant's interpersonal skills, reliability, perseverance, communication skills, self-confidence, empathy/consideration of others, ability to interact and work with others, maturity and judgment, potential to set and achieve goals, and motivation for a career in medicine or dentistry.)
- 3. Official High School Transcript** (submit a middle school transcript if you are a current 8th grader applying to Pikeville PEPP Scholars)
- 4. PEPP Scholars Application** (Complete all sections.)
- 5. Copies of your ACT and/or SAT Scores** (or PSAT scores, Pikeville PEPP only) Unofficial copies from your school are acceptable.
- 6. Your Photograph (required)** (Your application will be considered incomplete if you do not include your photograph.)

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

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APPLICATION DEADLINE

***** YOUR APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 3, 2009 *****

Mother's Contact Information

Mother or Guardian (name) _____

Address (mother) _____ Home Phone. _____

Mother's Work Phone _____ Cell Phone: _____

Mother's Occupation _____

Mother's Education Level _____

Father's Contact Information

Father or Guardian (name) _____

Address (father) _____ Phone No. _____

Father's Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Father's Occupation _____

Father's Education Level _____

Family Income _____ Number of Dependents / Children in Family ____ Number of Persons Living at Home _____

Please explain any **special circumstances** you would like to be known in considering you for the PEPP Scholars program (e.g., lengthy family illness, change in employment or income status, disabled parent, etc.):

ESSAY

Please submit a personal statement (essay) that describes your interest in becoming a physician or a dentist and why you are interested in attending PEPP Scholars. Your personal statement should not exceed three pages.

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SIGNATURES

By my signature below, I hereby certify that the information provided on this application and in my personal statement (essay) is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Student's Signature

Date

****IMPORTANT PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION****

The parent or guardian of the applicant must sign one of the following statements (sign only one):

1. I certify that the taxable income (after all deductions) of my family as reported on my most recent IRS income tax forms (calendar year 2007) does not exceed \$75,000.

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

2. I certify that the taxable income of my family (after all deductions) as reported on my most recent IRS income tax forms (calendar year 2007) exceeds \$75,000, and I understand that the applicant will be required to pay \$1,500 toward the cost of participating in the program. I also understand that I can submit a written request for a waiver of this \$1,500 fee if this payment will present a financial hardship for my family.

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

FEE WAIVER REQUESTS WILL BE CONSIDERED