



Office of Health
Professions
Alumni
NEWSLETTER
2018-2019



WELCOME

The Office of Health Professions is designed to walk alongside students aspiring to enter various health professions. The OHP streamlines access to opportunities, services, and resources for students navigating paths to professional programs. The path to a professional school can be daunting, so the mission of OHP is to equip students with strategies that are time-efficient, competitive, and align with their passions.

ALUMNI CORNER

Discover events and new programs implemented by the Office of Health Professions.

FINISH READING ON PG. 2



MEDICE PROGRAM

A newly implemented program designed specifically for students in Pre-Dental, Pre-Medical, and Pre-Veterinary tracks successfully kicks off.

FINISH READING ON PG 3



GRADUATES

We are proud of our LCU graduates. As our students move on towards their goals, we celebrate as they share their success.

FINISH READING ON PG 4





News and Events

With the creation of the Office of Health Professions, its primary goals are to assist students with developing knowledge and offering resources. With the execution of a monthly speaking event, Fusion, the OHP is able to achieve these goals. Fusion has included topics such as: time management, application processes, professionalism, interview etiquette, self-care, and jargon associated with health care. Moreover, LCU was able to welcome 10 recruiters from various graduate and professional programs on campus. As the relationships with recruiters grow, the OHP is able to sponsor campus visits to graduate schools and as a direct result of this, our Pre-Physical Therapy students had the opportunity to visit Hardin Simmons and connect with the faculty there.

With the growing prevalence of Multiple Mini Interviews (MMI) used in professional programs, we were able to host our second annual Mock MMI event. Students were interviewed by administrators from the university, health care professionals, and alumni. In addition to this, our pre-health professionals club and OHP invited a diverse group of alumni to participate in a pre-health panel. Due to the panel's success, we hope to have future events similar to this.



Joshua Ochoa being interviewed by President Perrin.



LCU Students tour HSU Physical Therapy Program

***If you are an alumni and are interested in participating in future events, please contact Maddie.Hettick@lcu.edu.*

**"I am more
confident in
myself as
application and
interview season
approaches"**

—Josh O.

Medice Program

New Program to Assist Rigorous Application Process

Medice (med-ee-chay) in Latin, meaning healer, is a program designed to walk alongside students who are passionate about healing. This program is intended specifically for Pre-Dental, Pre-Medical, and Pre-Veterinary students due to the rigor of these particular application processes. Students will benefit from active advising, building portfolios, mock interviews, prep for entrance exams, scholarships, and a Health Professions Advisory Committee Letter. Students are encouraged to apply to this program their sophomore year.

This was the first year to implement this program and it has taken off rapidly. With a total of 22 students in this program, students have been able to participate in exclusive events such as: a personal statement workshop, MCAT practice exam, scholarships for prep courses, and one-on-one advising sessions with the Office of Health Professions. Junior Biochemistry major Joshua Ochoa writes, "Medice has offered

me many resources through personal statement workshops, mock interviews, and overall support. I am more confident in myself as application and interview season approaches because of these experiences." The staff and faculty recognize this is just a stepping stool to equip students with the necessary characteristics required for success as they journey towards professional schools.



To Graduation & Beyond

With the school year coming to an end, we cannot help but celebrate the success many of our graduating seniors have achieved. As students in the sciences continue their education in pursuit of their professional careers, we are proud to share in their joy as they receive well deserved acceptances. **Since the year 2000 we celebrate an overall acceptance rate of 95% of students accepted to graduate and professional programs. This year is another excellent year for our outstanding students, LCU is proud to share for the '18-'19 school year we have a 100% acceptance rate for the following programs: Dental, Athletic Training, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Physician Assistant, and Public Health.**

In addition to this wonderful success, the following highlights LCU's accomplished graduates: we rejoice with alumni Cora Petersen ('17) and Taylor Warren ('17) as they adventure on to upstanding research and doctoral programs. We are excited to share that Amy Stephenson ('15) and Beau McNeill ('13) have graduated from dental school and are now practicing dentistry, additionally Andrea Fultz ('15) recently graduated with a Masters in Occupational Therapy and currently works for a UMC outpatient clinic here in Lubbock. Finally, faculty and staff delight in the continuing achievements of Logan Adams ('15) as he begins his residency at Massachusetts General Hospital, one of Harvard's affiliate hospitals.

