

2020/21 PROGRAM DATES

December 21 Online Application Opens

**February 12 Application and Official
Transcripts Due**

Early April Notice of Acceptance

**April 23 Documentation, Vaccination
Requirements Due**

June 1 Move In, Pre-Program Activities

June 2 Orientation

July 1 Graduation Ceremony

PATHWAY TO MED SCHOOL IS A COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVE WITH THE FOLLOWING PARTNERS:



PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION:

Foothills Area Health Education Center, Inc.

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PARTICIPANT COMMITMENTS

- Reside in provided free housing
- Remain in town for program duration
- Drive to all shadowing, research, and instructional engagements
- Do not enroll in a concurrent course (Academic or MCAT Prep)
- Comply with minimal to no work commitments (none during week)
- Complete all scheduled clinical shadowing hours
- Fulfill all research project deadlines

PATHWAY TO MED SCHOOL



A Program For Pre-Med Students Interested In
Becoming a Georgia Primary Care Physician

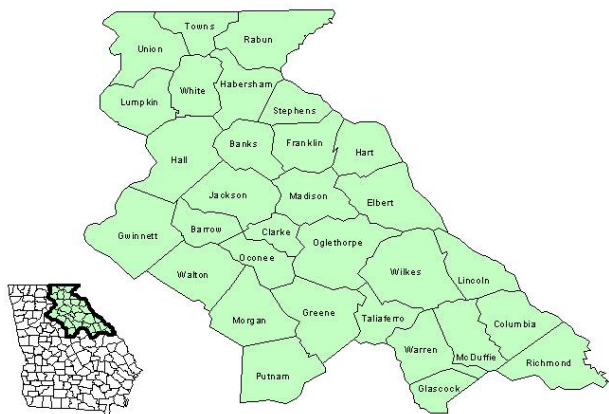
JUNE 2021

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PRIMARY CARE?

Foothills Area Health Education Center (AHEC), in collaboration with community partners from across the region, developed the Pathway to Med School Program specifically for undergraduate pre-medical college students planning to attend medical school and become primary care physicians in the state of Georgia. Primary care physicians act as the first and principal point of contact for health care. They complete broad training and provide day-to-day care in core specialty areas, such as:

- Family medicine
- Internal medicine
- Pediatric medicine
- Women's health

Only a limited number of students can be accepted due to the intensive nature of the program, and students from Foothills AHEC's 31-county service region (see below) will be given preference. Students who participate in the summer, month-long program will enhance their understanding of primary care and their ability to gain admission to medical school.



ARE YOU UP FOR THE CHALLENGE?

Foothills AHEC's Pathway to Med School Program is a 180-hour structured, residential experience during the month of June. Here's what the program offers you:

80 HOURS CLINICAL SHADOWING EXPERIENCE

You'll shadow primary care physicians in Foothills AHEC's service area (see map at bottom left) to obtain real-world experience in the four primary care specialties.



60 HOURS COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH

You'll conduct medical research in groups under the supervision of a physician in a north-east Georgia clinic, create research posters, and present findings at graduation and potential family physician conferences.

40 HOURS INSTRUCTIONAL TIME

You'll participate in educational sessions that will help prepare you for application and matriculation to medical school including:

- *A physician roundtable dinner*
- *A mock interview session with Georgia medical school admissions representatives*
- *Two campus visits to local medical schools*

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

To be eligible, all applicants must:

- Be at least a college sophomore and enrolled in a pre-medicine curriculum
- Have a minimum 3.0 math/science GPA and minimum 3.0 overall GPA
- Be a legal Georgia resident and U.S. citizen
- Have reliable transportation to all program engagements over the four-week term
- Not apply to the SOWEGA-AHEC Program

HOW TO APPLY

Complete the online application and essay at:
www.surveymonkey.com/r/foothillsapp2021

The online application, essay, and all **official** transcripts must be received by the deadline of
February 12, 2021, 5:00 P.M.

2020 PATHWAY TO MED SCHOOL CLASS



Foothills AHEC supports the recruitment, training, and retention of a diverse health professions workforce throughout northeast Georgia.