



Program Bulletin

Clinical and Public Health Programs for Pre-Health Students

The Academy of Medical and Public Health Services is a federally recognized healthcare not-for-profit organization operated solely by volunteers and dedicated to advancing the health care of underprivileged communities in New York City. Named a **U.S. Top-Rated Nonprofit** out of 1.8 million reviewed nonprofits in 2013 and ranked the **#2 Healthcare Organization** in Brooklyn, New York, we are a multidisciplinary clinical services and public health research organization that develops sustainable healthcare infrastructures for patients who have been turned away by hospitals and other providers. **We specifically take in patient cases that are particularly difficult to solve and work in a dynamic team environment to develop primary care strategies for these at-risk patients.**

As a part of our mission, we work very closely with undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, graduate, and professional school students across the country to provide **clinical setting exposure, training opportunities, volunteer and internship opportunities in clinical medicine, public health, health policy, and health law and ethics.**

Clinical Practice Training Program



Students analyzing differential diagnoses of acute cardiac symptoms during patient case reviews.

Description

Pursuing a career in medicine, allied health professions, and public health is highly rewarding and fulfilling; but involves much time, preparation, hard-work, and of course, financial resources. Undergraduate pre-health school curricula generally do not give an accurate picture of the intensity and rigor of medical school education, and doesn't provide practical, hands-on experience.

The Emergency Cardiovascular Care Center at the Academy of Medical and Public Health Services (AMPHS) offers a very innovative, unique, and popular annual 6 week intensive program for prospective medical, nursing, public health, and allied-health school students designed to equip them with introductory clinical skills and offer experience of what the field of medicine and public health is all about.



Presenting and analyzing patient MRI scans during group case study sessions.

The Clinical Practice Training Program integrates actual health professions school coursework with American Heart Association (AHA) certification courses to simulate a well-rounded clinical experience. Medical professionals and certified instructors will immerse you in intensive coursework, giving you firsthand insight into what it is like becoming a medical professional. You will attend courses in Cardiac Resuscitation, Medical & Trauma Emergencies, Cardiac & Neuro Electrophysiology with Neurodegenerative Disorders, EKG Interpretation, Clinical Pharmacology, Public Health & Policy, and Clinical Research Methods. In addition to being able to take these courses, **you will receive 5 certifications upon successful completion**, including national AHA certifications in HeartSaver First Aid, Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers, EKG,

Pharmacology, and an AMPHS Certificate of Completion. **These are the same AHA certifications that states require for healthcare professionals to apply for their licensure.** The objectives of the program are to:

- Provide a well-rounded experience for the student to see how basic science, clinical skills, public health, health policy, and research design works hand-in-hand in the current U.S. healthcare system. Health professions schools often do not provide training in public health and health policy, and we aim to give students valuable insight into how public health frameworks affect clinical decision-making.
- Provide students with professional-level certifications that they can use to further their education and careers by boosting their credentials while partaking in a valuable educational experience over summer break or as an extracurricular during the school year.
- Provide students with the foundations for critical thinking and analyses in a clinical setting, and understand how various fields such as public health, policy, and research interact to deliver healthcare for patients.

In keeping with the unique small-group nature of the program, we only limit 4-6 students into each session. In the past, students have told us that they have preferred smaller groups to allow one-on-one interaction with faculty members where instructors really get to know them and understand their clinical interests, much unlike large lecture courses in the health professions schools.



Practicing how to stabilize and treat a trauma patient.

Expenses & Scholarship

For this academic year, our faculty members and scholarship grants have generously subsidized the full cost of tuition and course expenses for students. The CHP Scholarship Program to the Clinical Practice Training Program has contributed \$1,247.00 to each accepted student's cost of training. **The student is only responsible for the applicable registration and certification process examination fees, which total \$628.00 for all 5 certifications.** Without scholarship, the full cost of the program would otherwise be \$1,875.00.

Program Sponsorship

The Clinical Practice Training Program has been recognized as an innovative and breakthrough new program, and has been generously sponsored by several foundations that provide scholarship funding and clinical/in-kind resources for program participants through their support to AMPHS and its programs. This includes (among others): CHP Scholarship Program, The Barman's Fund, YouthBridge Community Foundation, C.B. Reynolds Foundation, and Google for Nonprofits.

Registration

For more information and to register, please email faculty.resources@amphsonline.org indicating your interest for the specific session of the Clinical Practice Training Program. Please include the appropriate Course Code (see page 6) in the subject line. Attach the following in your email:

- Completed [Program Registration Form](#)
- CV/Resume
- Current Official/Unofficial Transcript

Please make note of the application deadlines for each session. We review applications in the order they are received; therefore, it is in your best interest to submit your completed application as early as possible. Once we develop a diverse pool of qualified candidates, we are no longer able to review further applications, especially those submitted after the deadline.

Selection Process

A class of 4-6 students will be selected for each session. Each application is reviewed by the ECC Selection Committee for the applicant's declared interest in future clinical practice, preparation through rigorous undergraduate and/or graduate coursework, and demonstrated commitment to the medical and allied health professions through extracurricular and professional experience. A scholarship will be awarded to each admitted student to cover the costs of tuition and program expenses, as noted above.

In some cases, students are not seeking subsidized funding for their attendance in the program, and thus, do not wish to participate in the scholarship selection process. If this is the case, please let us know in your application email. The scholarship evaluation criteria will be waived for your application by the ECC Selection Committee, and your application will be considered in the primary pool for admissions along with all other applicants. Please note that should you inform us that you are not seeking to participate in the scholarship selection process, you will be fully responsible for the entire cost of the program, totaling \$1,875.00.

Enrollment

If you have been offered admissions into the program, you must submit an enrollment deposit of \$300.00 to secure your seat according to the schedule on page 6. The deposit will be applied to your total fees due. You must then pay the balance of your program fees in full at a minimum of one week before the start of classes; otherwise, you will be un-enrolled in the program and you will forfeit your deposit.

If you have been waitlisted, you will receive specific instructions on next steps. If we decide to institute a waitlist for any particular session, there is a very good chance we may open up another session or be able to accommodate waitlisted candidates in the confirmed sessions. Waitlisted candidates will be asked to submit a deposit of \$225.00 to secure their seat. The deposit will be applied towards the total fees due when waitlisted candidates have been officially offered a seat in an available session. Should you not be offered a seat in an available session, your deposit will be returned to you along with your notification.

Because of the competitiveness of this program, the ECC Selection Committee and the scholarship funders would like to ensure that once a scholarship has been awarded, the student will follow through and successfully earn the certifications that form the core of this program, for which he/she was selected among many other qualified candidates. Therefore, please ensure that should you be selected, you are fully committed to completing this training program prior to sending your application and deposit.

The Enrollment Deposit may be paid by any one of the following methods:

- Online Payment via PayPal's secure payment portal
- Credit Card Authorization Form
- Check

Please make all checks payable to: Academy of Medical & Public Health Services

Mail to: Office of Admissions, CPTP
Emergency Cardiovascular Care Center
Academy of Medical & Public Health Services
5306 Third Avenue, Second Floor
Brooklyn, New York 11220

Specific instructions are provided in the acceptance and waitlist notification letters.

Sessions

<i>Semester</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Enrollment Period</i>
Summer 2014 I Course Code: DME14-001	Saturdays, 5/31 to 7/12 10:00am to 1:30pm; Exams: 6/14 and 7/12 3:00pm to 5:00pm	AMPHS NYC ECC Brooklyn, NY 11220	<u>Application Due:</u> 4/25/2014 5:00pm EST <u>Decisions Announced:</u> Week of 5/5/2014 <u>Deposit Due:</u> 5/16/2014 5:00pm EST <u>Waitlist Final Decisions:</u> 5/23/2014
Summer 2014 II Course Code: DME14-002	Saturdays, 7/19 to 8/23 10:00am to 1:30pm; Exams: 8/2 and 8/23 3:00pm to 5:00pm	AMPHS NYC ECC Brooklyn, NY 11220	<u>Application Due:</u> 4/25/2014 5:00pm EST <u>Decisions Announced:</u> Week of 5/5/2014 <u>Deposit Due:</u> 5/16/2014 5:00pm EST <u>Waitlist Final Decisions:</u> 5/23/2014
Fall 2014 I Course Code: DME14-003	Saturdays, 9/6 to 10/11 10:00am to 1:30pm; Exams: 9/20 and 10/11 3:00pm to 5:00pm	AMPHS NYC ECC Brooklyn, NY 11220	<u>Application Due:</u> 7/25/2014 5:00pm EST <u>Decisions Announced:</u> Week of 8/4/2014 <u>Deposit Due:</u> 8/15/2014 5:00pm EST <u>Waitlist Final Decisions:</u> 8/22/2014
Fall 2014 II Course Code: DME14-004	Saturdays, 10/18 to 11/22 10:00am to 1:30pm; Exams: 11/1 and 11/22 3:00pm to 5:00pm	AMPHS NYC ECC Brooklyn, NY 11220	<u>Application Due:</u> 7/25/2014 5:00pm EST <u>Decisions Announced:</u> Week of 8/4/2014 <u>Deposit Due:</u> 8/15/2014 5:00pm EST <u>Waitlist Final Decisions:</u> 8/22/2014

More Information

For more information about AMPHS, please visit us at: www.amphsonline.org.

Please note: We are a certified American Heart Association Emergency Cardiac Care Training Site and not a degree granting institution. Our instructors are volunteers with expertise in their fields, and all certification courses are taught by American Heart Association, American Academy of Pediatrics, and/or American Association of Orthopedic Surgeons / American College of Emergency Physicians (ESCI) certified faculty members. Since we at AMPHS are all volunteers giving our time and resources to ensure a safer community, all proceeds from all education events and training programs are donated to the AMPHS Community Health Project. This is a collaborative effort in which we provide healthcare access and resources to underprivileged and uninsured families across New York City.