

# SO YOU WANT TO BE A DOCTOR?

Information for Engineering Students Pursuing a Career in Medicine

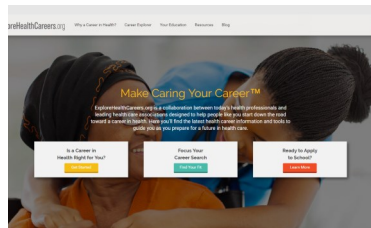
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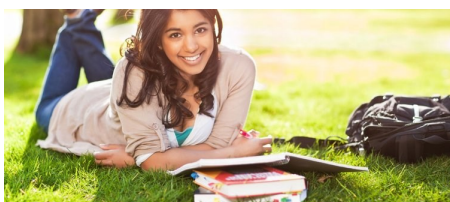
## ExploreHealthCareers.org

ExploreHealthCareers.org is a collaboration between today's health professionals and leading health care associations designed to help people like you start down the road toward a career in health. Here you'll find the latest health career information and tools to guide you as you prepare for a future in health care.



## Ways to Make the Most of Your Summer

Summertime on your mind? While summer is your time to relax and recharge, it's also a great opportunity to start focusing on rounding out your medical school applications. So how do you do that?



**Volunteer:** Volunteering in a healthcare facility or organization not only enhances your medical school application, it's a chance to see if you enjoy working a medical setting. It's also an opportunity to network with peers and possible mentors, take on increased responsibility and leadership roles over time, and build your resume. [Learn how to find a volunteer opportunity.](#)

**Shadow a Doctor:** Shadowing a doctor will give you a better understanding of what a doctor's typical day is like, and may give you good experience to talk about in your applications and interviews for medical school. It's also a great way to gain familiarity with the vast number of different medical and research environments, as well as specialties. [Learn how to shadow a doctor.](#)

**Work in a Lab:** There are usually many research opportunities in the summer. The number of medical school applicants who have significant research or lab experience keeps growing, so working in a lab setting will help make you a competitive applicant. It will also help you to determine if a career in medical research could be right for you. See below for opportunities!

**Upcoming Events:**

**Carle Illinois Medical School Info Session**

**Tuesday, March 28th**  
**12:00-1:00pm**  
**433 Grainger**

**Premed Drop-In Advising Dates:**

**1-2pm**  
**404 Grainger**

February 28th  
March 14th  
April 18th

## Want to Meet with the Premed Career Advisor at ECS?

Simply log into I-Link, and select "premed career advising" appointment type to schedule your

**July—September 2017**  
**MCAT Exam Test Dates**  
**now Open**

[Register now](#)

## March 1 Deadline for many Summer Opportunities

**Summer Enrichment programs:** Search this database to find summer enrichment programs on medical school campuses.

**NIH Summer Internship Program (SIP)** The SIP provides internships students interested in pursuing careers in the biomedical/biological sciences to work on a research project that entails exposure to the latest

biochemical, molecular, and analytical techniques in a given field.

## Summer Health Professions Education Program