**Northeast Ohio Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Scholars**

**Information for 2018 – 2019**

 Welcome! Thank you for your interest in the AHEC Scholars Program! The AHEC Scholars program helps prepare students, from various health professions, to better understand the health issues in urban and rural underserved areas. Innovative learning through rural and urban team-based community experiential training and specialized personal development opportunities, the AHEC Scholars Program provides students with the depth and breadth of interprofessional skills needed to understand patient centered health care in areas in rural and urban underserved communities.

**Description of the AHEC Scholars Program:**

 The AHEC Scholars program is a longitudinal program with interdisciplinary curricula and a defined set of didactic, and team-based community experiential training activities. The AHEC Scholars Program supplements students' existing health professions programs. Each AHEC Scholar is expected to engage with programming for two (2) years and culminate in completion or graduation from a degree or certificate program. Stipends are allowable for students participating in the AHEC Scholars Program and the availability of those varies by program location.

**To participate in the AHEC Scholars Program, students will:**

* fill out a formal application with defined eligibility criteria consisting of a diverse student body with representation from disadvantaged backgrounds and underrepresented minorities;
* be enrolled in a health professions degree program or an allied health workforce degree/certificate program. (e.g., medicine, nursing, social work, and other allied health workforce programs).
* participate in a minimum of 40 hours per year of didactic education (inclusive of innovative and/or interactive learning activities); and
* participate in team-based community experiential training conducted in rural and/or underserved settings of which a minimum of 40 hours must consist of participation in team-based training;
* be engaged for two years and culminate in completion or graduation from a degree or certificate program;
* receive a stipend and/or other incentives for students completing the AHEC Scholars Program.

**Questions may be directed to your local AHEC center office associated with the following university:**

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| **Cleveland-Region Interprofessional AHEC at Cleveland State University:**Center Director, Shaletha T. Mitchell, M.Ed.School of NursingCampus Location: 2112 Euclid Ave., IM 303-304Cleveland, Ohio 44115-2214Office: (216) 875-9994Fax: (216)687-3556E-mail: s.t.mitchell@csuohio.edu | **Canton Regional AHEC at Kent State University-Stark**Center Director, Sally W. Lavery, M.Ed., CHES6000 Frank Avenue, NWNorth Canton, OH 44720-7548 Office: (330) 244-3293Fax: (330) 244-3482Email: slavery\_gst@kent.edu |
| **Akron-Region Interprofessional AHEC at the University of Akron**Center Director, Greta A. Lax, M.S.College of Health ProfessionsSchrank Hall North 461Akron, OH 44325-8904Office: (330) 972-6957Fax: (330) 972-2151E-Mail: glax@uakron.edu | **Eastern Ohio AHEC at Youngstown State University**  Center Director, Maureen DrummondOne University Plaza Youngstown, OH 44555 Office: (330) 941-2491 Fax: (330) 941-1545E-Mail:  EOAHEC@gmail.com |

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**Application for 2018 – 2019**

 What if you have the key to unlocking the most impactful health issues of today? Imagine creating unique solutions that can really make a difference in your community. In the last two years of your formal education, you and your peers will come together to understand very real health care issues in northeast Ohio. There is no financial cost for the AHEC Scholars Program; only your time and expertise!

You may submit this paper application or can apply online at:

<https://www.neomed.edu/ahec/scholars-program>

**AHEC Center(s) at Partnering University (select which university that you applying as an AHEC Scholar):**

[ ]  Cleveland-Region Interprofessional AHEC at Cleveland State University

[ ]  Canton Regional AHEC at Kent State University-Stark

[ ]  Akron-Region Interprofessional AHEC at the University of Akron

[ ]  Eastern Ohio AHEC at Youngstown State University

**Personal Information:**

Name:

Local address (include City, State & ZIP):

Primary Telephone:

School E-mail:

Other E-mail:

Identified Gender: [ ]  Male [ ]  Female [ ]  Other [ ]  Prefer not to answer

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

**What type of community did you spend most of your life?**  [ ]  Urban (city) [ ]  Rural (not a city)

 [ ]  Other:

**Ethnicity:** [ ]  Hispanic/Latino [ ]  Non-Hispanic/Latino

**Race:** [ ]  African American/Black [ ]  American Indian/Alaskan Native [ ]  Asian

 [ ]  Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander [ ]  White [ ]  More than one race

**Can you answer yes to any of the following?**

-You are (or will be) the first person in your family to attend college. [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

-You are a 21st Century Scholar or currently receive a Scholarship or a Loan for Disadvantaged Students.

 [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

-While growing up has your family received federal or state assistance programs (i.e., free or reduced breakfast/lunch, WIC, subsidized housing, food stamps, Medicaid, etc.)? [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

 -While growing up, you lived where there were few medical providers at a convenient distance.?

 [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

**Education:**

-What is your current academic level? [ ]  Undergraduate [ ]  Graduate

-Indicate which year you are currently registered.

[ ]  Year 1 [ ]  Year 2 [ ]  Year 3 [ ]  Year 4 [ ]  5+ Years

-Your status for this academic year. [ ]  Full-time [ ]  Part-time

Undergraduate College/University:       Which Campus?

 City:       State:       Zip code:

**Area Of Study.** **For those that have an \*, please specify specialty:**

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| [ ]  Student—Allied Health\*[ ]  Student—Alternative/ Complementary Nursing[ ]  Student—Certified Nurse Leader—Generalist[ ]  Student—Certified Nurse Specialist[ ]  Student—Certified Nursing Assistant[ ]  Student—Community Health Worker[ ]  Student—Dental Assistant[ ]  Student—Dental Hygiene[ ]  Student—Dental School[ ]  Student—Dental Therapy[ ]  Student—Dietician[ ]  Student—Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedic[ ]  Student—Graduate—Allied Health\* | [ ]  Student—Graduate—Psychology [ ]  Student—Graduate—Public Health[ ]  Student—Graduate—Social Work[ ]  Student—Health Information Technician[ ]  Student—Home Health Aide[ ]  Student—Licensed Nursing Assistant [ ]  Student—Licensed Practical/ Vocational Nurse (LPN/LVN)[ ]  Student—Medical Assistant[ ]  Student—Medical School[ ]  Student—NP\*[ ]  Student—Nurse Anesthetist[ ]  Student—Nurse Educator[ ]  Student—Nurse Midwife[ ]  Student—Nursing Assistant/ Aide[ ]  Student—Nursing BS/BSN Completion | [ ]  Student—Physician Assistant[ ]  Student—Podiatry School[ ]  Student—Radiological Assistant[ ]  Student—Radiological Technician[ ]  Student—Rehabilitation Therapy[ ]  Student—Respiratory Technician[ ]  Student—Speech Therapy[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Allied Health\*[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Behavioral Health[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Clinical Laboratory Services[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Health Sciences Program\*[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Nursing[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Other\*[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Psychology |

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| [ ]  Student—Graduate—Clinical Laboratory Services[ ]  Student—Graduate—Health Sciences Program\*[ ]  Student—Graduate—Nursing Doctorate\*[ ]  Student—Graduate—Nursing Masters\*[ ]  Student—Graduate—Other\*[ ]  Student—Graduate—Other—Behavioral Health\* | [ ]  Student— Nursing—Registered Nurse (RN)[ ]  Student—Occupational Therapy[ ]  Student—Patient Care/Support Technician[ ]  Student—Pharmacy School[ ]  Student—Pharmacy Technician[ ]  Student—Phlebotomy Technician[ ]  Student—Physical Therapy[ ]  Student—Physical Therapy Assistant | [ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Public Health[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Radiological Technician[ ]  Student—Undergraduate—Social Work[ ]  Other—Nutritionist[ ]  Other—Therapies\*[ ]  Other—Other\* |
|  \*Please specify area of specialty: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

Additional Information:

1. Activities in the AHEC Scholars Program is a supplement to your normal class load. In the box below, include a statement of 250 words or less, on how you will meet this challenge and any strategies that you will use to ensure your success.

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2. Below, submit a personal statement, not to exceed 250 words, that addresses your goals for participation in the AHEC Scholars Program and any unique qualities that you can bring to the AHEC Scholars Program.

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3. Please explain, not to exceed 500 words, any previous experiences for interprofessional collaboration, service learning, health promotion or any other health education activities. Also include your thoughts to the commitment or experience with underserved individuals and/or communities.

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3. Attach your Transcript in a .pdf file

4. Attach your Resume/CV in a .pdf file

5. Attach a letter of recommendation from a faculty member or advisor, not to exceed one, 8 ½ x 11 page, single-spaced in a .pdf file

Acceptance:

The AHEC Scholars Program administration, for which you are applying, will contact you regarding the status of your application and/or interviews, if necessary, with a member of the Selection Committee. Upon completion of all interviews, applicants will be notified by letter of admittance to the program.

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact:

Assurance and Signature of Applicant: If accepted into the program, I agree to participate in all sessions and other required activities of the AHEC Scholars Program:

Printed Name:       Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_