

Course Description
Geriatric Health Careers: A Weeklong Workshop
University of Nebraska Medical Center

- WHO: 20 college students who are currently enrolled in pre-medicine, pre-physician assistant, pre-nursing, pre-pharmacy, pre-physical therapy, or social work courses and who want to explore the health issues related to caring for an aging population.
- WHAT: A one-hour college credit course
- WHERE: University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha campus
- WHEN: May 18-23, 2008 (Sunday – Friday)
- WHY: To learn about UNMC and my true values and interests in becoming a health care professional and providing health care services to an aging population.
- HOW: Return the complete application form and related registration materials to your college representative or advisor. **Deadline for college advisors to submit applications to UNMC is March 28.**

UNMC provides:

1. A week-long program focused on geriatric health concerns. Curriculum developed with Jane Potter, M.D., and the staff from UNMC's Rural Health Education Network.
2. Housing (double occupancy) at the Howard Johnson motel on 72nd Street, the majority of meals, and classroom materials.
3. Professors and qualified academic credentials and curriculum.
4. Transportation logistics and coordination.
5. UNMC does not charge tuition or grant credits for this program.
6. Students will receive an A-B-C grade from course director, Dr. Jane Potter.

Undergraduate colleges and universities are responsible for:

1. Identifying and selecting students for enrollment in this course. Students may be from rural or urban backgrounds, but must have a serious interest in learning about geriatric health issues.
2. Providing applications and advance course information to students interested in health care careers.
3. Offering the course for 1 hour credit and collecting tuition from the students. Students must verify enrollment in a 1-credit course to be admitted to the program.
4. Returning the application materials for the applicants and the alternates by March 28, 2008.
5. Provide insurance coverage available to students enrolled at your facility. All students must also be covered under your institution's liability policy.

Students are responsible for:

1. Completing the application and related registration forms
2. Paying tuition to their institution for 1 hour credit.
3. Health insurance verification.
4. Transportation to and from Omaha.
5. Satisfactory completion of course requirements
6. Proof of 1 credit course enrollment.

2008 TENTATIVE AGENDA

- Sunday** 5 p.m. check in to hotel and dinner at 6 p.m. for orientation and course overview
- Monday** UNMC Campus Lecture Topics and Activities
What is Geriatrics and Why is it Important?
First Things: Doing Right by Our Elders
HIPAA and Patient Confidentiality
Tour of UNMC campus
Play the Diagnosis game: Diagnose Dementia, Deirium & Depression from your Easy Chair
Dinner – on your own
- Tuesday** Morning – Observations in Clinical Settings
Afternoon – Additional classroom lectures
Elder Abuse
CareGiver Issues
Additional topics to be determined
- Wednesday** Morning - Observations in Clinical Settings
Lunch provided with a panel discussion with UNMC students & admissions representatives
Afternoon – simulated patient experiences
Dinner to be determined
- Thursday** Tour facilities in Omaha (nursing home, assisted living, hospice, etc.)
Afternoon spent working on group presentations
Dinner – on your own
- Friday** Group presentations in the morning.
Presentation of certificates at lunch
Adjourn

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- To learn about the health issues related to aging.
- To develop an understanding of the health professional's role
 - in diagnosing and treating these health problems.
 - in preventing illness/injury and improving community health.
- To become acquainted with UNMC's campus, library resources, faculty and students in anticipation of becoming a student here.
- To learn to work as a team in a short period of time to accomplish a goal with team members from different backgrounds.