

Frequently Asked Questions

UNMC College of Medicine Alumni Association Host Program

What is the Host Program?

The Host Program was created by the College of Medicine Alumni Association's student representatives. The program is designed to match fourth year medical students with alumni as the students travel to residency interviews.

What cities does the host program include?

Originally, the program included several pilot cities. Now, the Alumni Chapter is accepting sign ups from students and alumni all across the country.

What services are alumni asked to provide students?

Information about residency program, surrounding area, medical community; transportation to / from airport; and to / from interview; meals and lodging for residency interviews.

How many "matches" should a student or alumnus expect?

We attempt to offer each student and alumnus at least one match. This will depend on availability of the alumni and the dates of the interviews, as well as interest in the program.

How will the student and alumni get in contact?

The Alumni Relations Office will provide the alum's contact information to the student. It is **the student's responsibility** to contact the alumnus and communicate about their visit. This also means if a visit is cancelled, the student should notify the alumnus as soon as possible.

What should a student expect to get from this experience?

The student should expect to develop a relationship with a UNMC College of Medicine alum that can offer information and support. The student should be prepared with questions to make the best use of their time with the alum.

What should an alum expect to get from this experience?

The alum should be prepared to offer advice and information to students about their community, the hospital (if known), and anything else that may be beneficial to the student. If possible, the alum could consider providing lodging and meals to the student as well as information about the community/hospital. We also hope the alumnus will enjoy learning about the student and their experience at UNMC.

Is it possible I won't get matched at all?

It is possible there may not be a match for a student or an alumnus, given schedules. Alumni Relations will try and get everyone who signs up to participate in at least one match, maybe more if schedules allow and there is interest.

How do I participate? Who should I contact with questions?

Please download and complete the Alum Information Sheet, which is available online at

<http://www.unmc.edu/alumni/councils/medicine/>. If you have any further questions, please contact UNMC Alumni Relations at 402.559.4385.