



Emory University Eye Center Open DOOR Program Diversity and Opportunity in Ophthalmology Rotation

Description: Emory University's Eye Center is excited to announce the Emory Open DOOR program. This is an ophthalmology rotation for interested MS4s who are applying to Ophthalmology. At Emory Eye Center we understand that medical student away electives are prohibitively expensive for many. We are dedicated to *opening the door* to those who are underrepresented in ophthalmology, particularly those from *disadvantaged socioeconomic backgrounds* that may have barriers to participating in away rotations. Participation in the program is limited to 1 student and will be provided with a stipend of \$3000 to offset expenses. The student must be accepted as away rotators at Emory through the VSLO as well as to the Emory Open DOOR program. This rotation, which specifically targets students who intend to apply to and pursue a career in Ophthalmology, exposes students to a thriving academic eye center and careers in Ophthalmology.

Accepted student will receive:

- A resident mentor
- Broad exposure to ophthalmology through two-week rotations at Grady Eye Center and the Atlanta VA
- Exposure to educational activities at Emory in the Department of Ophthalmology
- In person exposure to clinical sites at Emory
- An opportunity to meet with residency leaders in the Emory Eye Center
- A stipend in the amount of \$3000 will be given upon successful completion of the experience

Application requirements and eligibility:

- Current enrollment at an accredited US Medical School
- Anticipated graduation of Spring 2024
- Self-identify as a member of a group [underrepresented in medicine as defined by AAMC OR considers themselves from a disadvantaged socioeconomic background](#)
- Completion of attached application
- Letter of support / recommendation
- Current curriculum vitae

Application Process: Please submit your application to Brenda Huffman at bhuffma@emory.edu by April 15, 2023. You will be notified by May 2, 2023 about your application status and admission.

Website: [Emory Eye Center Diversity, Equity and Inclusion](#)



EMORY OPEN DOOR APPLICATION

First Name: Click or tap here to enter text. **Last Name:** Click or tap here to enter text.

Primary Phone #: Click or tap here to enter text.

Primary Email Address: Click or tap here to enter text.

Mailing Address: Click or tap here to enter text.

Name of Medical School: Click or tap here to enter text.

Anticipated date of graduation: Click or tap here to enter text.

Gender: Female Male Transgender Prefer not to say

Ethnicity: Are you Hispanic or Latinx NO YES

Race: Choose all that apply (regardless of ethnicity)

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander White

Other (please specify)

Are you a [first-generation college student](#)? No Yes

Did/do you attend a historically black college for undergraduate or medical school studies?

No

If "Yes", list school Click or tap here to enter text.

If you are from a disadvantaged background*, please describe. (250 words max):

*Criteria for a Disadvantaged Background as defined by, *but not limited to*, the HRSA Bureau of Health Professions Workforce:

- Rural environment hometown (population approximately <10k),
- Educationally disadvantaged background: first generation college-educated, or
- Economically disadvantaged background: history of SNAP benefits, Medicaid, or has lived in public housing

Click or tap here to enter text.



Please briefly describe your reason for applying to the program and interest in Ophthalmology (400 words max):

Click or tap here to enter text.

Required Documents:

- Letter of support from an Ophthalmology faculty member at your home institution. This should be directly emailed to us from the author.
- Attach your curriculum vitae.

Terms & Condition for All Participants (your signature below indicates your acceptance):

- I agree to all the terms and conditions to the [Emory University School of Medicine Code of Conduct](#).
- I agree to participate in the rotation to which I have been accepted during the aforementioned date and the diversity program activities.
- I understand that this is an in-person rotation. I also understand that this experience does not guarantee an interview with the Emory University School of Medicine, Department of Ophthalmology Residency program.

Student Signature & Date: Click or tap here to enter text.

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION AND MATERIALS TO:

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