AUC Fair Highlights

(Appendees enjoying the fair pictured above)

(CAU ambassadors serving the guest institutions the day of the fair pictured above.)

(Smiling faces were a common trend the day of the event. Guest representative pictured above.)

The 16th Annual AUC Health Professional School Recruitment Fair

The Atlanta University Center Health Professional School Recruitment Fair (AUC), is an annual event that has united Clark Atlanta University, Morehouse College and Spelman College Health Professions areas for the past 16 years.

Our three institutions which represent the AUC undergraduate institutions service over 1000 pre-health professions students. Also, the Public Health Sciences Institute (PHSI), which supports all AUC students, promotes public health awareness and facilitates student entry into public health schools joined in our efforts as a collaborative partner.

Clark Atlanta University’s Health Professions Advising Unit served as the official host for the fair which took place on October 25, 2018. The fair reached a new record high with over 300 students and 72 professional health schools and organizations in attendance.

Here is what student attendees said about the fair...

“The health fair was an outstanding experience. I was able to learn a lot of information about how to better prepare myself for medical school.” ~Laneitte Davis, CAU 2021

“This event was amazing. The fair gave great opportunities and the institutions provided great advise for medical school!” ~Zomia Echols, CAU 2022

“I enjoyed being in an intimate space with my top prospective medical schools. Being able to build those relationships early will be very beneficial during my admissions process. The fair allowed me to put my future into a clear perspective. It gave my insight on what will be required of me and also helped me narrow down what I am interested in from a medical school.” ~Angela Seymour, CAU 2021

Plans for next year’s fair are in progress. Spelman College will serve as the official host. Contact the Health Professions Advising Unit for more information.
MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP

Under Dr. Powell’s leadership, HPAU has officially established an early admissions agreement between Clark Atlanta University (CAU) and Meharry Medical College (MMC). Under the agreement, both institutions will cooperate in projects to cross-enroll students in undergraduate and graduate school programs.

Further, CAU and MMC will recruit and facilitate the entry of students into the field of medicine by developing programs leading to the Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from CAU and Doctor of Medicine degree from MMC. CAU students will receive preferred admissions into the Meharry School of Medicine, School of Dentistry, and the School of Allied Health. CAU students will also receive priority scholarship consideration.

The collaborative efforts between CAU and MMC will help fulfill both institution’s mission to increase the number of minorities and other persons in the health professions.

HPAU 2018-2019 EVENTS

Highlights from HPAU’s events during the Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 semesters.

The mission HPAU at Clark Atlanta University is to support and encourage the success of students from any major interested in a career in health professions. HPAU has conducted a series of events tailored to meet the needs of students.

(Pictured above) Dr. Max Hunter, Director of Pre-professional Health Sciences Seattle Pacific University speaking with students during the Personal Statement Writing Workshop.

(Pictured above) Dr. Alisha Mays, MD, UC Berkeley/UCSF Joint Medical Program speaking to students at the Ideal Applicant Workshop. Dr. Mays is a proud CAU Alumni. Dr. May’s was also joined by Dr. Rita Finley, Director of the medical sciences program at the Morehouse School of Medicine to speak on the admissions process to medical schools.

(Pictured above) Students engaging in mock interviews with current MSM students.

(Pictured Above) Dr. Frank Jones MD, President of the Atlanta Medical Society, inspiring students with his speech about resilience pursuing medicine during Health Professions Day.

(Pictured above) CAU students volunteering at the Hosea Feed the Hungry annual event.

(Pictured Left) Mr. & Ms. MAPS in the CAU Annual Homecoming parade.
Welcome Ms. Gaymon, Career Advising Specialist!

Ms. Denise Gaymon is the new Career and Advising Specialist for the Health Professions Advising Unit. Ms. Gaymon is a native of South Carolina and has over ten years of experience in advising and counseling at the collegiate level. In the past she has served as the Director of Counseling Services at Drake State Community & Technical College and an Advisor for the Office of Retention (ASAP program) at Alabama A&M University.

It is Ms. Gaymon’s goal to help all students who have identified as wanting to pursue a career in the health professions. With an increasing need to place minorities in health professions, Ms. Gaymon is ready to devote herself to helping CAU’s students become self-sufficient and knowledgeable professionals who are prepared to excel in the health sciences area. Stop by HPAU today and meet her!

3 Fun Facts about Ms. Gaymon:

She is a certified Zumba Instructor
She loves to sing and travel
She is a Licensed Therapist

To schedule an appointment with Ms. Gaymon and HPAU, please log into your Handshake account and request HPAU!

THE PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH SOCIETY

The Pre-Professional Health Society (PPHS) has officially launched. PPHS aims to familiarize students with the health professions and application processes to entering relevant schools through speakers, student mentors, and volunteer work.

Working with your advisors, highly motivated students can develop a structured plan of recommended courses and experiences to prepare for a career in health-related fields. PPHS coordinates occasional tours of professional health schools and invites admissions representatives to the campus.

Members of PPHS are also provided tailored professional development workshops and exam preparation. PPHS students are required to register and complete an admissions test for professional or graduate school and attend all mandatory activities. Member benefits of PPHS include:

- Tailored opportunities to become acquainted with health-related professionals
- In-person exam preparation through Kaplan
- Increased Awareness of Health Professions.

We are excited to announce PPHS’s newest members.

Congratulations PPHS Scholars:

Vivian Moultrie, Isaiah Pickett, Ashleigh Carter, Ciara Collins, Justin Harrison, Tameka Lawrence, Jada McCall, Angela Seymour, David Tiche, Felicia White, Korea Steger, Dai’Trevian Murray, Ceveta Sieh, Lanettie Davis, Zomia Echols, Jaeda Gordon, Lexus Hardman, Angela Hollis, Arianny Myrie, Erin Wilkerson, Diahaj Kidd, Laren Ryan, and Deidre Kennedy.

PPHS, Developing Tomorrow’s Health Professionals!

(Pictured Left) CAU’s PPHS and UHSA students pictured with Dr. Patrice Harris, 1st female African American President for the American Medical Association at the Why We Can’t Wait Mentoring Breakfast.

(Pictured above) Young Physicians Initiative sharing knowledge with the Pre-Professional Health Society
Student Highlights

WE ARE ON THE MOVE! WE ARE CAU! WE ARE HPAU!

Lexus Hardeman, current sophomore Biology major, participated in The Atlantis Fellowship Program during Summer 2018. The Atlantis Fellowship Program is a pre-med study abroad opportunity that allows you to shadow doctors in European and South American hospitals for over 20 hours per week while rotating specialties. Lexus has also obtained an internship working in Dr. Khan’s laboratory for Summer 2019. Dr. Khan is the Director of the Cancer Research Center at CAU.

Ashley Barnes, current freshman Biology major, obtained a summer 2019 internship with Camp Boggy Creek. Camp Boggy Creek participated as a vendor in the Annual AUC Health Professional School Recruitment Fair in which CAU served as the official host. Camp Boggy Creek is a year-round, not-for-profit medical camping facility that serves children who are living with serious illnesses.

Monepha England, current sophomore Biology major, obtained an Internship at the University of Washington STAR Program. STAR is summer research experience designed to encourage and support the research training of underrepresented minorities in the health, biomedical, and behavioral sciences. Students are provided first-hand, quality experiences in laboratories of established researchers and gain the confidence and academic exposure which will allow them to successfully enter PHD level and professional programs of study.

Zomia Echols, current sophomore Biology major, obtained placement in the Fungal Genomics & Computational Biology REU Program at the University of Georgia. The 10 week extensive research oriented program provides students with an opportunity to attend seminars with faculty, university administration, and former REU participants. Students will also engage in Bioethics seminars.

Emoni Speight, current sophomore Biology major, received a position in the T.E.E.M.S. AmeriCorps program with the Alonzon A. Crim Center for Urban Educational Excellence. The 10 month after school program allows current undergraduate students to work with African American Males in Dekalb County High Schools providing supplemental instruction and support in the areas of Math and Science.