

WeeklyWire 02/07/2025

FOR ALL MEDICAL STUDENTS

Community Connections & Wellness

- **"Coffee and Bagel with Dean Page":** Message from Dean Page: Dear Students, I would like to extend an invitation to you for another "Coffee and Bagels with Dean Page" event on Wednesday, 2/26/2025. These events are tremendously valuable to me, giving a chance for informal discussion of various issues that are on the mind of those in attendance, all the while providing an opportunity for all of us to get to know each other better. Since we start with introductions, it works best if you arrive before 8 am. My office is Given E126. If you are interested in attending, [please respond using the link provided](#). If you cannot join us this time, or if we are unable to accommodate everyone, please note that there will be additional opportunities in the future. Please be sure to mark your calendars, as we will not be sending out calendar invites.
- **IMPORTANT- Funds for Educational Scholarship and Opportunities (FESO) Update:** effective 02.01.25 [This is an update re: eligibility and funding limits for student travel awards](#) under FESO at the Larner College of Medicine, which supports LCOM students to travel and present their scholarly work at conferences and meetings. Applicants should review the FESO website carefully and completely to ensure familiarity with the latest eligibility criteria and maximum award amounts. For further questions, contact StudentCOMServices@med.uvm.edu. We thank you for your commitment to scholarly work at the Larner College of Medicine, and UVM alumni and supporters look forward to continuing to support you in presenting your work!
- **Fair Housing Project - "Know-Your-Rights Workshop":** 2/8, 1-2:30 pm , Waterman Memorial Lounge. Hybrid event. [RSVP Required](#). [Read more here...](#)
- **Students for the Health Equity Summit Planning Committee:** Deadline to apply is February 9th, Midnight EST. We are excited to invite students of any cohort [to apply for a position as a medical school student representative](#) on the 2025 Health Equity Summit Planning Committee. All applicants will be notified of the status of their application after the deadline. For more details, please [contact Ayanna Linton, Admissions Coordinator](#).
- **GHHS Solidarity Week for Compassionate Patient Care:** 2/10-2/14. Solidarity Week for Compassionate Patient Care. [Read More Here...](#)
- **Black HEALTHstory Month Lecture:** 2/ 12, 12:00-1:00, [Zoom "The Federal Government's Efforts](#) to Racially Integrate Hospitals Under Medicare, 1963-1967", P. Preston Reynolds D., Ph.D. [Olive Gallmeyer, Events & Programs Coordinator](#)
- **USMLE Study Break Snacks and Coffee:** 2/13 from 2 - 4 p.m. in Dana Health Sciences Library. Join the Libraries in Dana Health Sciences Library for a [USMLE study break with coffee and snacks](#).
- **Dr. Moo Needed for Community Mascot Breakfast:** 2/15, 9:15 A.M. - 10:30 A.M., University Mall Dr. Moo has been invited to attend a Community Mascot Breakfast. Dr. Moo has been invited to attend a mascot community breakfast event for kids at the University Mall on Saturday, February 15th. Dr. Moo will arrive to get dressed at 9:15, with families attending from 9:30 – 10:30AM. Dr. Moo will mingle and take photos with the attendees. [Please contact Liz Dohrman](#) if you're interested in donning the Dr. Moo suit for this Community Event.

- **Family Medicine Hybrid Grand Rounds:** 3/24 ,8-9am, Davis Auditorium / [Zoom](#). UVM Family Medicine is excited to share that Dr. Mariana Castells will be presenting at Grand Rounds on 3/24/25. Dr. Castells is a world-renowned expert in mast cell disorders, anaphylaxis, and drug hypersensitivity and has made significant contributions to allergy and immunology research. [Read more here...](#)
- **Pediatrics Grand Rounds - “What’s New in Medical Education in the UVM Department of Pediatrics?”:** 2/12, 8-9 am ,Hybrid Event - In person in Davis Auditorium (UVMHC) or [Via Zoom \(passcode required\)](#)PASSWORD: pedsgr. For more details contact [Penny Marchessault](#)
- **Pediatrics Grand Rounds - “Let’s Take a Bite Out of Pediatric Dog Bites: Recent Trends and Our Local Injury Prevention Efforts”:** 2/19, 8-9 am ,Hybrid Event - In person in Davis Auditorium (UVMHC) or [Via Zoom \(passcode required\)](#)PASSWORD: pedsgr. For more details contact [Penny Marchessault](#)
- **HemOnc Fellows Conferences:** 2/18, HSRF 200 ,8-9AM.” Morbidity and Mortality Conference”. Joint presentation by Dr. Dermot Murphy, 1st year fellow in Hematology and Medical Oncology, UVMHC and Dr. Rushad Patell, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. Contact: [Whitney Feininger, Admin, Hematology/Oncology Division](#)
- **Gender Equity Education Series:** February 19, 12:00-1:00, [Zoom. Clinical Considerations for Working with Transgender & Nonbinary Clients](#), Laura Erickson-Schroth. For more details contact [Olive Gallmeyer, Events & Program Coordinator](#).
- **Last day- Contribute to Study: Exercise and mental Health:** 2/10. [Read details here...](#)
- **Black History Month Trivia:** February 20, 5-6 pm, MedEd100. Save the date for our annual Black History Trivia Event! Test your knowledge, celebrate achievements, and embrace the richness of Black history. Join us for a fun, educational night with dinner and exciting giveaways! [Olive Gallmeyer, Events & Programs Coordinator](#)
- **AHEC Spotlight Series: Professional Advocacy in Healthcare:** 2/12, 12-1pm, MedEd200. [Read all about it!](#)
- **Dean Zehle Drop-In Sessions:** 2/14.,12-1pm These drop-ins are provided for students to connect with the Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education. We protect student drop-in sessions to ensure our students are able to discuss any arising issues or concerns, and to ensure your dean is always accessible to you. You can [secure a 20-minute slot during the provided drop-in hours, using the Dean for Medical Education drop-ins sign-up](#).Please contact [Colleen Case, the Executive Assistant to the Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education](#), if you have any questions or concerns.
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- **Coffee/Tea with Dean Zehle:** 2/21, 7:30am-8:15am. Given Courtyard.
- **2025 Dr. Hope Babette Tang Humanism in Healthcare Essay Contest is now open:** 03/12 submission deadline. Monetary awards of up to \$1k.

[invited to submit an essay that illustrates an experience of humanistic care to the 26th annual Dr. Hope Babette Tang Humanism in Healthcare Essay Contest...](#)

- **Save the date! UVM Larner Med EIGHTH Annual Community Clothing Swap:** 04/21-04/23. As you start to scratch that “spring cleaning” itch, consider doing a sweep of your closet for items to donate to this year’s swap. Clothes you are tired of, but not tired clothes, please! Also, you do not need to donate items to participate. The swap is open to everyone in the community! [Flip your wardrobe during this fun, supportive, college-wide community event...](#)
- **Housing Opportunity:** Looking for a roommate (preferably female) starting May 2025 in a 3bed/3 bath near Winooski River. Actual move-in day is negotiable but must sign the lease in May. I am a 3rd year medical student, and my other roommate is a 2nd year medical student. 5-minute drive to UVM campus/hospital. No pets. Room is \$815 and comes with your own private bathroom. It really is a beautiful space with close proximity to restaurants, supermarket, park, and the highway. If interested and want to learn more, please reach out to [Shani Legore](#) and [Eunice Subera](#).

Scholarships available

- **Application Deadline-VT AHEC Scholars Medical Student Incentive Scholarship/Loan Forgiveness Program:** M2’s(co 2027) and M3’s (co2026). 2/ 12, [Applications are now being accepted!](#) The deadline is approaching for the next round of the VT AHEC Scholars Medical Student Incentive Scholarship/Loan Forgiveness Program for Larner College of Medicine (LCOM) rising third- and fourth-year medical students who are pursuing family medicine, internal medicine adult primary care, pediatrics primary care, obstetrics-gynecology, or psychiatry, and who are committed to future practice in rural Vermont. Anticipated Award Amount: \$40,000; Awards will be disbursed for the 2025-2026 academic year. Number of Awards: [up to 10 Apply online](#). This program was established by the Vermont legislature in collaboration with the Vermont Department of Health, UVM LCOM’s Office of Primary Care and Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Program, and the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC). The purpose of the program is to strengthen the primary care physician workforce pipeline and increase the number of new physicians practicing in Vermont to meet the health care needs of Vermonters, with a focus on rural areas and undersupplied medical specialties. Click here for additional information about the program, its requirements, future service obligation, and how to apply. For more details [contact Jennifer Gaudreau](#).
- **Application Deadline- Travel Scholarship- American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE):** 2/14. [Apply for a Travel Scholarship!](#) We are offering travel awards for 2 students to attend Digestive Disease Week in San Diego, CA. The conference will occur from May 3rd through the 6th, 2025. This is one of the largest GI conferences in the world and would be an excellent opportunity for any medical student interested in gastroenterology. It will provide networking opportunities, mentorship, and of course, a CV boost. The award also comes with a \$2,000 stipend. [For more information contact mailto:kennethobi@romegi.com](#)

Career Counseling Opportunities

- **New episode of Green Mountain Medicine Podcast:** [Click here to listen to Dr. Emily Strout](#) on this month's episode of Green Mountain Medicine Podcast. On this episode of GMM, we sit down with Dr. Strout, an internist with a passion for education and mentorship. She is truly exceptional. Dr. Strout also offers valuable advice for patients on living healthier lives, blending her expertise in medicine with a commitment to fostering the next generation of doctors.

Research Opportunities

- **Application Deadline: Summer research:** 2/10. Reminder that summer student research fellowship pre-proposals are due on February 10th. See the Medical Student Research website for details. Extensions will not be routinely granted, so please submit these on time. [Renee Stapleton](#)
- **Gold Humanism Student Summer Fellowships:** 3/17 application deadline. [Apply as an individual or group](#). Offers opportunities for medical students to undertake a research or service project related to community health and to develop skills to become a compassionate, relationship-centered physician...For more info, [contact Kiersten Tavares, Medical Student Services Coordinator](#) & GHHS Admin Support
- **Paid Summer Research Fellowship Opportunity:** 3/19, 2025 Gain hands-on experience in cancer research under the mentorship of a UVM Cancer Center member, as a paid Summer Research Fellow! Under the UVM Cancer Center Summer Research Fellowship, students will receive a stipend of \$4,000 to conduct cancer-related basic, clinical/translational, or population science research with a UVM Cancer Center member. This program has offered medical, graduate and undergraduate students a broad spectrum of cancer research opportunities in disciplines ranging from surgery, pharmacology, and radiation oncology to biochemistry, pathology, and psychiatry. To apply, please [fill out the program application](#) by Wednesday, March 19 by 5 PM EST. For more information on program requirements, application rubric and eligibility, visit go.uvm.edu/uvmccsr. Please reach out to crtec@med.uvm.edu with questions.
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- **The Lucey Prize:** Deadline 4/4. The “Jerold and Ingela Lucey Early Career Investigator Prize for Innovations in Infant or Child Health.” This is a prize to be awarded for completed or near-completed work within the past three years and not to fund a research proposal. The prize will be a monetary award, paid directly to the recipients, along with an award plaque. The recipients shall be selected based on merit for their work exploring new horizons in neonatology and/or other areas of pediatrics. The prize awarded includes \$1500 to each level awardee or their team and will be distributed at a Pediatric Grand Rounds May 28, 2025.. [Read More Here...](#)

M1 STUDENTS (co2028)

- **Summer research Deadline:** Pre-proposals due 2/10. Upcoming deadline for summer research. Reminder that summer student research fellowship pre-proposals are due on February 10th. See the Medical Student Research website for details. Extensions will not be routinely granted, so please submit these on time. Please reach out to Dr. [Renee Stapleton](#) with questions.

- **Application Deadline-Curriculum for Understanding Population-based Inequities & Disparities (CUPID) Summer Translational Oncology Program John Hopkins: 2/16.** [Read more here...](#)
- **AHEC Summer Projects 2025:** Applications due 2/21, 2025. Students in the class of 2028 are invited to apply. Projects are typically 100 hours and pay a stipend of \$1,500. AHEC
- Summer Projects fall into one of two tracks: Research/Quality Improvement or Education/Mentoring. Projects are typically 100 hours (40 didactic hours and 60 field-based/project-specific hours). A program overview, description of each project, and the [application can be found on the AHEC website](#). All projects relate to AHEC Scholars priority areas such as social determinants of health. Applications from LCOM class of 2028 will be accepted until February 21, 2025. Certain projects require some in-person time in Vermont, other projects may be completed via hybrid or fully remote participation. Students who are not yet enrolled in the AHEC Scholars program will need to enroll to participate in the summer program. Questions about AHEC Scholars or the AHEC summer program can be [directed to Patti Smith Urie](#).

M2 STUDENTS (co2027)

- **As a reminder, support during Step 1 dedicated study is available...**Whether on campus or remote, the Medical Student Services Team wants you to know that we are here to help and advice during the dedicated weeks of Step 1 study. Please reach out to (or grab a drop-in with) Drs Moynihan, Rosen, George, Dolbec, and Holterman if you're encountering any barriers to daily progress, uncertainty about your plan, or struggle navigating setbacks. While there are many ways forward, we strongly encourage yours to include ongoing engagement with a question bank (sets > review of sets), daily structure, barrier identification/removal, and — above all — self-care and *belief* in your ability to find progress in the weeks ahead.

M3 STUDENTS (co2026)

- **Application Deadline Freeman Foundation Medical Legacy Scholarship:**2/12, 2025 The Larner College of Medicine (LCOM) Office of Primary Care and Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) Program are pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the Freeman Foundation Legacy Medical Scholarship for rising fourth year medical students. All medical specialties are eligible to apply. Typical awards range from \$6,000-\$10,000. Awards will be disbursed for the 2025-2026 academic year. This scholarship honors the Freeman Family and Foundation in appreciation and recognition of their significant financial support to UVM Larner medical students. The aim of the 2001-2012 Freeman Medical Scholars Program was to strengthen the physician workforce pipeline and increase the number of new physicians practicing in Vermont to meet the health care needs of Vermonters (i.e., increase access to care), with a focus on rural areas and undersupplied medical specialties. The last Class of Freeman Medical Scholars graduated in 2012. This legacy scholarship continues work to support and incentivize students committed to future medical practice in Vermont. See a complete list of Freeman Medical Scholars Eligibility: Full-time enrollment in (or entering) the fourth year of the Larner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont. Any medical specialty Intent to

work in Vermont as a physician for a minimum of one-year (to commence within one year following the completion of your medical training) Students who have existing contractual service obligations (e.g., military, NHSC Scholars) are not eligible. [For more information and application materials, please visit the website.](#) Or [contact Jennifer Gaudreau.](#)

- **Application Deadline: David and Eleanor Ignat Scholar Incentive Scholarship/Loan Forgiveness Program:** 2/12, 2025 .The Larner College of Medicine (LCOM) Office of Primary Care and AHEC Program are pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the David and Eleanor Ignat Incentive Scholarship/Loan Forgiveness Program! This program was established in 2022 by the Founding Donors, David and Eleanor Ignat, and the University of Vermont Foundation and is administered in collaboration with UVM's Office of Primary Care and Area Health Education Centers Program (AHEC), and UVM Student Financial Services (SFS). The purpose of the program is to strengthen the physician workforce pipeline and increase the number of new physicians practicing in Vermont to meet the health care needs of Vermonters. Eligibility: o Full-time enrollment in (or entering) the fourth year of the Larner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont. Vermont residency is not required. All medical specialties are eligible to apply. Intention to work in Vermont as a physician for a minimum of one year following the completion of medical training (residency/fellowship) or Intention to start work in Vermont within one year following completion of medical training. Students who have existing contractual service obligations (e.g., military, NHSC Scholars, AHEC Scholars Incentive Scholarship) are not eligible. Award Conditions: If awarded, recipient must sign a promissory note detailing the terms and conditions of the Incentive Scholarship/Loan. The award and its terms become binding once the promissory note is signed and executed. Disbursement of the award will not be made unless a signed promissory note is received. Recipients who work in Vermont as a physician according to the terms and conditions will have complete forgiveness of this loan. Recipients who do not work in Vermont as a physician according to the terms and conditions will repay this incentive scholarship/loan to the University. Amount: It is anticipated to be \$40,000 (award amount may vary annually), with an estimated 1 to 2 awards annually. Awards will be disbursed for the 2025-2026 academic year. Selection: Personal statement/required questions, required documents, and input from AHEC/LCOM Selection Committee. The Founding Donors will have no role in the selection process. For more [info contact Jennifer Gaudreau. Application attached here.](#)
- **Application Deadline: Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship:** 2/17. [Read all about it here...](#)

M4 STUDENTS (co2025)

- **Entering Advanced Integration Checklist:** Please complete now! Please log into OASIS and complete the Entering Advanced Integration Checklist. We have deployed a requirement checklist for your class to complete prior to entering Advanced Integration. Please attend to these items by March 18. If you have questions, or any issues while completing the checklist, [please let us know.](#)
- **WE WANT YOU! - Commencement Student Keynote Speaker:** 03/10 submission deadline. [Submit your drafted speech to be considered for the Commencement Student Keynote Speaker...](#)
- For those applying in the main match, you can start to put your rank list in on Monday 2/3/25 and have until 3/5/25 to finalize. Don't forget to make sure that you are certified by 3/5/25.

