

# THINKING ABOUT A HEALTH OR SCIENCE CAREER?



## WHAT ROLE WILL YOU PLAY IN MISSISSIPPI'S FUTURE?

The Rural Medical & Science Scholars program is an exciting summer opportunity for academically talented high school students between their junior and senior years. The program helps rising high school seniors determine if they want to pursue health-related careers and shapes students' interest and understanding of medicine, health-related disciplines, and other STEM fields.

Talented students from across the state will be given the opportunity to attend Mississippi State University during first term summer school (June 2 – June 28), where they will take two college courses (Introduction to Healthcare Professions and Applied Public Health Sciences, shadow physicians, dentists, and other healthcare professionals. The courses will provide didactic along with observational and experiential learning activities designed for a career in medicine, other health-related disciplines, or STEM areas. **Will you be one of those students?**

The program fee of \$2400 includes: program application fee, tuition, housing, and textbooks. Food costs and weekend travel expenses are variable and not included in the program fee. Students' financial situations should not prevent them from applying to the program; limited scholarships are available. The program application is available online at [extension.msstate.edu/rms](http://extension.msstate.edu/rms).

You must have a minimum composite ACT score of 22 to be considered for this academically challenging program. Completing six college credits in summer school requires a serious effort on the part of Scholars. One day of orientation filled with interactive workshops and activities will kick off the program prior to the start of classes.

To learn more about the Rural Medical & Science Scholars program, visit [extension.msstate.edu/rms](http://extension.msstate.edu/rms). Your school counselor and MSU Extension agent will have information, as well. Call or email the program director, Ms. Ann Sansing at (662)325-4043 or [asansing@ext.msstate.edu](mailto:asansing@ext.msstate.edu) if you have questions or need additional information.

**What role will you play in Mississippi's future?** Are you one of our aspiring physicians? Or do you have an interest in another health-related or STEM career? The Rural Medical & Science Scholars program will help ensure a strong and passionate workforce for the long-term goals of improving Mississippi's economy and increasing access to healthcare.

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