

South Carolina AHEC




Nursing Careers Academy

May 31 - June 5, 2009
Medical University of SC
Charleston, South Carolina

The goal of the South Carolina AHEC Dental Careers Academy is to increase the acceptance, retention, and graduation rates of under-represented minority and disadvantaged students into colleges of Nursing. Consideration for the Academy requires that applications are completed in full, neatly and accurately. All applications must be postmarked no later than **April 3, 2009**. Incomplete applications will not be considered.


ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA






Applicant must:

-  Be a resident of South Carolina
-  Demonstrate a sincere interest in the field of nursing
-  Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Completed applications must include:

-  A non-refundable \$10 application fee payable by **check** or **money order** made payable to:

South Carolina AHEC
-  The Nursing Careers Academy application completed legibly and in full including the Medical Release Form
-  A typed, two (2) page letter outlining your plan to enter the field of nursing and how participating in the Nursing Careers Academy will assist in the achievement of your academic and/or professional goals
-  Two letters of recommendation (e.g., employer, community individual, professor, advisor)
-  Current official transcripts
-  Documentation of immunization (*Note: PPD skin test received after March 1, 2009 will be required by all applicants accepted for the 2009 Academy*)

Transportation to the Academy in Charleston, SC will be the responsibility of the applicant if accepted as a 2009 Fellow.

Applications are to be forwarded to:

**South Carolina AHEC Health Careers Program
19 Hagood Avenue, Suite 802
MSC 814
Charleston, South Carolina 29425-8140**

**Applications must be postmarked no later than April 3, 2009
South Carolina AHEC**

Application Fee: \$10

Check/ Money Orders are to be Made Payable To:

South Carolina AHEC

South Carolina AHEC

Nursing Careers Academy

2009 Application

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

T-Shirt Size: _____

Name: _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Mailing Address: _____
Street Number or PO Box Number Street Name

City State Zip Code

Permanent Mailing Address: _____
Street Number or PO Box Number Street Name

City State Zip Code

Home Telephone Number: (_____) _____ Cell Phone Number: (_____) _____
Area Code Area Code

Email Address: _____

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Birth Date: _____ - _____ - _____
Month Day Year

Gender: Male Female Are you Hispanic/Latino? Yes No

Race (check all that apply) American Indian/Alaska Native Asian* Black/African American
 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander White Asian Other

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

College/University Attending in Fall 2009: _____

Current Cumulative Grade Point average: _____ Semester Hours Completed: _____

What is your projected undergraduate graduation date? _____
Term/year

List any pre-health programs attended or organizations in which you are a member:

Name	Location	Major

Are you fluent in a language other than English (check one)?

Yes, please list: _____
 No

* Asian (Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Asian Indian or Thai)

My signature authorizes South Carolina AHEC to release information from this application and letters of reference as they may deem appropriate under the guidelines of the Freedom of Information Act. It also authorizes the use of my/my child's image and statements if selected as a 2009 Academy Fellow. It is also acknowledged that the information provided in this application is accurate, and that the selection committee of the South Carolina AHEC Health Careers Academy will exercise judgment in its selection process, and that the decision of the selection committee is final.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Required for **ALL** Applicants under age 21

South Carolina AHEC Nursing Careers Academy

For Additional Information, Contact:

Angelica Christie 843-532-0306
Director, South Carolina AHEC Health Careers Program
christae@musc.edu

Paula Jones 843-792-4443
Program Assistant, South Carolina AHEC Health Careers Program
jonespa@musc.edu

Gayenell S. Magwood, MSN, RN, PhD 843-792-5872
Research Instructor, College of Nursing, MUSC
Project Director, REACH 2010: Charleston and Georgetown Diabetes Coalition
magwoodg@musc.edu

Monica Ward-Murray, RN, EdD 803-516-4861
Associate Professor, Health Sciences, South Carolina State University
ewardmu@scsu.edu

NOTE: Transportation to the Academy in Charleston, SC will be the responsibility of the applicant if accepted as a 2009 Fellow



South Carolina AHEC

Nursing

Careers

Academy

2009 Application

May 31 - June 5, 2009

Medical University of South Carolina
Charleston, South Carolina

Sponsored Through the Collaborative Efforts of:



Application Deadline: April 3, 2009

The South Carolina AHEC Health Careers Program provides support and guidance for minority and disadvantaged students who have an interest in pursuing careers in the health care field. Stimulating, interactive activities are provided throughout the year to help high school and college students become familiar with opportunities in the health professions while, at the same time, enhancing their academic and personal growth and development.

The South Carolina AHEC Nursing Careers Academy is presented by the South Carolina AHEC in collaboration with the **MUSC REACH 2010** and the **MUSC College of Nursing**. The Academy is a one-week summer program designed to help minority and disadvantaged students prepare for entry into nursing education programs. It has been developed as an opportunity to increase the retention and graduation rates of pre-nursing students by increasing the participant's knowledge in the areas of:

- Admission requirements of South Carolina nursing programs
- Financial assistance resources
- Academic success skills
- Disciplines of nursing
- Techniques of nursing
- Educational/professional opportunities of nursing

Academy Fellows will take part in a week of clinical and didactic sessions on the campus of the Medical University of South Carolina, in Charleston, SC, from May 31 – June 5, 2009. Didactic sessions and project topics will focus on the metabolic syndrome and diabetes education. Housing and meals will be provided. Fellows will receive a stipend of \$200 with the successful completion of the Academy.

Follow-up:

Academy Fellows will be required to sign a privacy release document that will allow their progress to be tracked through the respective nursing programs with quarterly contact with the student and/or academic program advisor.



South Carolina AHEC is pleased that you are interested in applying for admission to the South Carolina AHEC Nursing Careers Academy. It is very important that applications be completed in full, and all pieces of the application be submitted early. Applications that are received after the deadline, or are incomplete, will not be considered for acceptance. A completed application consists of:

1. Application (enclosed)
2. A typed, two (2) page letter stating why you are pursuing a nursing profession and why you should be selected as a 2009 Fellow of the South Carolina AHEC Nursing Careers Academy
3. Two letters of recommendation (e.g., employer, community individual, teacher, advisor)
4. Current official transcripts
5. Documentation of immunization (*PPD skin test received after March 1, 2009 will be required by all applicants accepted for the 2009 Academy*)
6. Verification of completion of high school requirements/GED by June 2009
7. A \$10 check or money order (non-refundable application fee) made payable to South Carolina AHEC

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicant must:

- Be a resident of South Carolina
- Demonstrate a sincere interest in the field of nursing
- Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0
- Be currently enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an accredited college or university for the fall of 2009 with an interest in pursuing a career in professional nursing

NOTE: **Transportation to the Academy in Charleston, SC will be the responsibility of the applicant if accepted as a 2009 Fellow.**

Applications must be postmarked by April 3, 2009