

PA AHEC SCHOLARS PROGRAM

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS TRACK



This track provides in-depth training on topics designed to augment patient care and interprofessional collaboration, such as *Interprofessional Education*, *Behavioral Health Integration*, *Social Determinants of Health, Cultural Competency, Practice Transformation*, and *Current and Emerging Health Issues*. Students will gain a valuable understanding about the numerous social and cultural factors that influence an individual's overall health and their ability to access quality care. By exposing students to social, financial, and cultural issues of care, this track aims to support the development of future healthcare professionals who are able to provide high-quality, patient-centric care to all members of their community.

OBJECTIVES

- Differentiate vulnerable populations in our society and identify the varying factors that lead to their inequity.
- Interpret evidence-based interventions that positively impact healthcare outcomes.
- Train with health care professionals and community members to gain community-based learning experiences in rural and underserved communities, either through academic clinical training and/or community engagement.
- Participate in enhanced training experiences related to health care delivery impacting underserved communities.







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