2024 Health Equity Ophthalmology Summer Program

Target Participants
Current M1s from any U.S. medical school

Focus
Health equity, specifically within Ophthalmology

Program Goals
- Address inequities and disparities in eye care
- Understand benefits of increasing diversity among Ophthalmology physician workforces
- Provide primary eye care skills/techniques
- Mentorship for competitive Ophthalmology residency applications
- Strengthen fund of ophthalmology knowledge

Curriculum
- Research project on inequities in eye care
- Clinical and surgical exposure
- Participation in weekly Grand Rounds and department conferences

Who Should Apply
- Current M1s, from any U.S. medical school
- Students with a 4-8-week summer break. Time commitment is approximately 40 hours per week and program start/end dates are coordinated around participant’s school schedule.
- Students interested in health equity research
- A $2,500 stipend will be provided for 4-6 weeks of participation
- A $3,000 stipend will be provided for 6-8 weeks of participation

Application Components
- One letter of recommendation from an ophthalmologist, physician from another specialty, or professor
- Curriculum vitae
- Personal statement outlining motivation, qualifications, and general research interests

Review Process
- Application Deadline: January 15, 2024, at 5pm EST
- Program Notifications: early February, 2024
- Program Contact: Rachel Riddle, rachtayl@med.umich.edu