



# Opportunities for Students and Early Learners.

**While most of our collaboration takes place with graduate students, medical trainees, and providers, we welcome interest from students exploring health, public health, and all forms of cross-cultural access in their future careers.**

**If your student group is interested in supporting our work:**

We are always grateful when student organizations choose to hold fundraisers to support the EthnoMed Community Outreach Fund. This fund directly supports culturally tailored health education projects, interpretation access, community storytelling, and engagement events with RIM communities. These efforts are largely funded through community and provider support, and student-led fundraising truly makes a difference.

If your group is interested in partnering on a fundraiser or awareness event, please contact us and we'll be happy to support with materials, talking points, or a presentation.

## Harborview Volunteer Services

Harborview is Washington's largest safety-net hospital and the only Level I Adult and Pediatric Trauma Center in the Pacific Northwest. Patients speaking more than 140 languages receive care here, many through the International Medicine Clinic and Pediatric Clinic. Volunteering is a strong way to gain real-life exposure to patient care, healthcare systems, and culturally responsive medicine.

**Learn more and apply:** <https://www.uwmedicine.org/volunteering/harborview/volunteer-positions>

## UW Medical Center Volunteer Services

The Montlake campus of UW Medicine offers weekly volunteer roles for students interested in exploring hospital-based service and healthcare environments. Roles such as lobby ambassador, patient escort, and other support services give exposure to hospital operations in an academic medical centre.

**Learn more and apply:** <https://www.uwmedicine.org/volunteering>

## Minority Association of Pre-Medical Students (MAPS) - University of Washington

MAPS supports underrepresented pre-med students with mentorship, community, professional development, and networking. EthnoMed regularly partners with MAPS on workshops, leadership development, and opportunities to engage with UW Medicine clinicians.

**National MAPS Information:** [HERE](#) and [MAPSUW Website](#)

## UDOC - High School Summer Program (UW School of Medicine)

UDOC is a free three-week summer enrichment program for high school students from backgrounds underrepresented in healthcare. Students learn about health careers, receive academic support, and meet mentors across UW Medicine.

**Details and application:** [UDOC Website Page](#)

## Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP)

SHPEP is a free national summer program for first- and second-year college students from underrepresented and historically excluded backgrounds. Participants gain academic preparation, mentorship, clinical exposure, and support navigating pathways into healthcare professions. UW is one of the SHPEP host sites.

**National program website:** <https://www.shpep.org/>

**UW Site information:** <https://equity.uwmedicine.org/shpep/>

## Doctor for a Day (UW School of Medicine)

Doctors for a Day introduces high school students to hands-on clinical skills in a supportive environment. Students practice taking vital signs, learn basic exam skills, meet medical students and physicians, and explore different healthcare career paths.

**Program Information:** <https://equity.uwmedicine.org/wihse/our-programs/doctor-for-a-day/>

## Additional UW Opportunities for Students Interested in Health & Public Health

### Health Care Alternative Spring Break (HCSB)

Undergraduates travel to rural and Tribal communities across Washington to observe healthcare delivery and learn about community-based practice. Strong exposure to both medicine and public health.

**Website** [HERE](#)

### Riverways Education Partnerships(FKA Pipeline Project)

Connects UW undergraduates with local schools and community programs. Some placements include health, wellness, cultural connection, and mentorship projects rooted in equity and empowerment.

**Website** [HERE](#)

## CELE Center: Community Service-Learning & Community Engagement

Students can earn academic credit while working with community health organizations, mutual aid groups, and public health efforts across Seattle. Good for students interested in social determinants of health, health justice, and community partnership.

Website [HERE](#)

## Washington State Opportunity Scholarship: Health Care Pathways

Provides financial support, mentorship, and professional development for students pursuing healthcare careers, particularly those from low-income or first-generation backgrounds.

Website [HERE](#)

## About Us:

EthnoMed is a cultural bridge connecting healthcare providers and patients from refugee, immigrant, and migrant (RIM) backgrounds in King County.

Our team:

- Educates healthcare providers on clinical and cultural topics relevant to patient care.
- Provides patients with culturally and linguistically tailored health resources.
- Conducts community engagement, education, and outreach throughout Seattle and King County.
- Creates opportunities for students and medical residents to gain experience with diverse patient populations.

EthnoMed operates within Harborview Medical Center—the region's only Level 1 trauma center and home to the International Medicine Clinic, where patients speaking over 100 different languages receive care annually.



## What We Offer

### Impactful Experience:

Develop lasting health resources to improve health equity for immigrant and refugee communities.

### Skill Development:

Gain hands-on experience in community engagement, health communication, multimedia content creation, web design, grant writing, and tropical medicine.

### Networking:

Collaborate with providers, community-based organizations, state and local governments, experts in cross-cultural medicine, and Harborview Medical Center's Caseworker Cultural Mediators