# **Accelerated Competency-based Education in Primary Care**

## **About the ACE-PC Program**

In partnership with Kaiser Permanente and with support from the AMA, the UC Davis School of Medicine offers an innovative three-year MD pathway for students committed to primary care careers. Rather than the traditional seven-year pathway to primary care practice (four years of medical school followed by three years of residency training), ACE-PC students complete their MD in 3 years equipped with the knowledge and skills to be positioned to match into a PC residency and enter primary care practice one year earlier than traditional students.

# **Program Eligibility**



- Demonstrated a commitment to a career in primary care
- Have clinical experience
- Have excellent communication skills
- Have leadership experience
- Be a reliable team member
- Be adaptable and motivated

### Curriculum



The ACE-PC curriculum immerses students in a longitudinal primary care practice as they complete their MD within a three-year curriculum.

Students will participate in a Summer Fundamentals Course that begins 6 weeks before the traditional program in mid-June.

The third year is longitudinal integrated clerkships (LIC) which have been shown to prepare students as well as traditional block clerkships all while increasing students' sense of patient-centeredness and confidence. LICs provide students 1) a meaningful continuity of care experience, 2) the opportunity to develop long-term relationships with preceptors, and 3) simultaneously meet the clinical competencies of multiple clerkships.

## **Our Services**

#### **Highlights**

- 3-year primary care continuity clinic
- Clinical reasoning seminars
- Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship
- Academic support and mentorship from primary care doctors
- Medical education curriculum linked to residency education expectations
- Dedicated ACE-PC staff and faculty at UC Davis School of Medicine and Kaiser Permanente

#### **Application Process**

- Applicants must apply to UC Davis School of Medicine (UCD SOM) through the AMCAS by October 1.
- Applicants invited to complete the UCD SOM Secondary Application can indicate their interest in ACE-PC.
- Applicants interviewed by UCD SOM will then be reviewed by the ACE-PC Program Directors on a rolling basis.
- Qualified applicants will then be invited to an interview with ACE-PC Program Directors and Kaiser Permanente team members between January and April.



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