

OsteoCHAMPS Program Objectives

- Enhance the interest of selected high school participants from economically and academically disadvantaged communities in Michigan in the health professions including Osteopathic Medicine.
- Provide participants with innovative, challenging, longitudinal, and supportive academic and non-academic enrichment activities.
- Sustain the network of partnerships with communities, schools/school districts, philanthropic organizations, institutions of higher learning and the health professions, and the MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine to benefit OsteoCHAMPS participants.
- Collaborate with MSU-Extension 4-H Youth Development to achieve OsteoCHAMPS goals.



OsteoCHAMPS participants conducting a science experiment



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CREATING OPPORTUNITY IN THE FIELD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE AND OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONS



Osteopathic Careers in Health And Medicine Program Services

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OsteoCHAMPS Goal

To increase the number of disadvantaged high school students in Michigan who select Osteopathic Medicine as their profession of choice and assist in the pre-professional preparation of those interested in the health sciences.



Students in Anatomy class

History of the OsteoCHAMPS Program

The OsteoCHAMPS program was established in 2000 with the Ethylene Crockett Vocational/Technical High School in Detroit to encourage, prepare and foster the health career interests of disadvantaged high school students across the state of Michigan. The program now partners with several schools and sponsoring agencies in various communities of Michigan. Program activities and services continue to expand annually.

Components of the OsteoCHAMPS program

- ▶ Summer PREcollege Enrichment Program (PREP)
- ▶ Outreach program activities
- ▶ Professional mentoring
- ▶ Undergraduate admissions seminars

OsteoCHAMPS summer PREcollege Enrichment Program (PREP)

The PREP program is a two-week intensive residential program at the MSU campus for selected 11th and 12th grade students.

The program includes an intensive instruction in pre-college science curriculum, as well as non-academic enrichment services and activities, including:

- ▶ Anatomy, Physiology and Chemistry
- ▶ Mathematics and Writing
- ▶ Learning and Test-Taking Skills
- ▶ Research Projects
- ▶ Introduction to Osteopathic Medicine and other Health Sciences
- ▶ Physical Examination Skills Demonstration
- ▶ Social activities focused on providing interaction with health professionals, MSUCOM students (Big Sibs), MSU-Extension 4-H Youth Development and participants from other communities
- ▶ Community Service Activities



Dr. Aguwa and students examine a model of the spine

Who is eligible to apply for OsteoCHAMPS?

To be considered for acceptance, an applicant must:

- ▶ Have completed 10th or 11th grade
- ▶ Have an interest in a health care career
- ▶ Be a Michigan resident (out-of-state considered on an individual basis)
- ▶ Have financial support from a foundation/sponsor **or**
- ▶ Be self-paying at a cost of \$2,000 (limited number of spaces available)
- ▶ Complete an application form, sign a contract agreeing to actively participate in all projects, and abide by the rules of conduct.

For more information about eligibility or the application process, please contact Kay Wood, Program Coordinator, at:

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