The MSPEP is a preparation program sponsored by the UC Davis School of Medicine’s Office of Student and Resident Diversity. This program is designed to assist educationally and/or socio-economically disadvantaged students to prepare both to apply to medical school and to successfully complete the MCAT exam. The MSPEP consists of two parts. Part I will be during winter and spring quarter when a 2 unit course will be offered. The seminar will be a weekly course, Wednesday 3:30-5:00pm. Part II is an intensive MCAT prep through the Davis Kaplan Center in Davis, CA. The MCAT course will be held during June-September 2013. Both Part I and Part II of this program are mandatory. All participants must take the September 2013 exam. Part I will be taught by Dr. Darin Latimore with guest speakers and Part II will be taught by a Kaplan instructor. Part I Seminar classes will be held at the UCD Davis School of Medicine Education Building in Sacramento, CA. Part II will be held in Davis, CA.

Participants must meet the following criteria:

- Currently registered Juniors or Seniors at University of California, Davis or California State University Sacramento during the winter/spring quarter or spring semester;
- Be in good academic standing;
- Have completed all medical school prerequisites by summer 2013;
- Qualify as an educationally and/or socio-economically disadvantaged student;
- Show evidence of commitment to a medically underserved community;
- Qualify for financial aid. College financial aid award letter will be required to verify. (A printed SIS web document is sufficient and must accompany your application);
- A minimum BCPM GPA 3.00;
- Provide a letter of recommendation; (supervisor, professor or mentor);
- Provide a copy of your most recent transcripts including Fall Quarter/Semester 2012 grades,
- Provide a copy of your current resume;
- Completed application and responses to four short essay questions;
- Be able to attend all MCAT prep classes in the summer and be able to devote an additional 12 hours a week for preparation and study. We discouraged participants from taking summer school classes or working during MCAT prep course.

A stipend will be allocated to students for living expenses.
If interested please check our website for application www.ucdmc.ucdavis.diversity.
Student Application Form

Name:________________________________________________________________ (first) (middle init.) (last)
Grade level in Fall 2012 (circle one): Junior Senior
Gender: Male Female Transgender

Have you applied to this program before? Yes No

Home address:________________________________________________________________ street city zip code

Home phone number:____________________ Cell phone:____________________

Email address:_____________________

Current Major: __________________________ Total Cumulative GPA: ____________

Premedical requirements: (Please fill in with the courses taken, grade, and units per class; quarter students 3 courses, semester students 2 courses):

1 year Biology __________________________
1 year Chemistry __________________________
1 year Organic Chemistry __________________________
1 year of Physics __________________________
1 year college level Math __________________________
1 year college level English __________________________
.5 year Biology with Lab __________________________

When do you plan to apply to medical school? __________________________

Are you currently employed (paid)? Y or N How many hours a week ______________

I will be able to attend all class sessions and seminars? __________________________

(Please Sign)

I am currently receiving financial aid? Y or N __________________________

(Please Sign)

(Once selected you will need to submit a copy of your financial aid award letter)

Have you ever taken the MCAT? Yes or No If so, what were your scores: ______________

What group(s) do you identify with? (Optional Please circle all that apply)

African American American Indian/ Native American Asian American Caucasian Latino/Latina LGBTIQ Other __________________________

In order to assist you in becoming a competitive applicant the Office of Student and Resident Diversity's staff will review both your Kaplan’s attendance and records weekly. Signing here indicates that I give the Office of Diversity the authority to review all my Kaplan records.

(Please Sign)
Please answer the following five questions: (You may add additional sheets but keep each response to no more than one page and a font size larger than 10.)

1. Why should you be selected to participate in the Medical School Preparatory Enhancement Program?
_____________________________________________________________________________

2. Describe a difficult situation you have had to overcome in your life or during your college academic experience. How do you feel this has prepared you for a career in medicine?
_____________________________________________________________________________

3. Please describe activities that you have done that demonstrated your commitment to providing services to individuals from economically and medically disadvantaged communities.
_____________________________________________________________________________

4. You have identified yourself either as a socio-economically or educational disadvantaged applicant, please provide a brief statement of explanation. Describe the positive and negative impact being disadvantaged has had on your accomplishments to date and your anticipated future in medicine.
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All materials must arrive in our office November 9th, 2012. Late applications will not be considered. Any questions call (916) 734-1829. Applications should be sent to the following address:

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