



The University of Vermont

LARNER COLLEGE OF MEDICINE  
OFFICE OF PRIMARY CARE & AHEC PROGRAM

## David and Eleanor Ignat Scholars Incentive Scholarship/Loan Forgiveness Program

### Application Required Questions

#### ***Personal Statement/Required Questions***

- Please review the program description prior to answering these questions.
- Please keep your responses concise—a paragraph, or up to one page per question.
- Once completed, submit documents to [Jennifer.gaudreau@uvm.edu](mailto:Jennifer.gaudreau@uvm.edu). Please be sure your name is on each document.

#### **Question 1**

1a. Do you have an existing service obligation in Vermont? Yes or No. For eligibility, the answer to the question must be “no.” If it is “yes,” you are not eligible for this program.

1b. Do you have or anticipate concurrent applications under consideration for service incentive award programs? If yes, please list and continue with this application.

#### **Question 2**

2a. Which medical specialty do you plan to practice in the future?

2b. What led you to select this specialty?

#### **Question 3**

3a. Please describe why you are committed to future medical practice in Vermont.

3b. Is there a specific area of the state (county or town) you are interested in serving? Why? If undecided, please describe what factors may influence your decision.

#### **Question 4**

Please reflect on the 8 AHEC focus areas. Select one and describe how you have grown in that area as a medical student or describe how that area is important to the practice of medicine and population health.

1. Interprofessional Education/Interprofessional Teamwork (team-based care delivery, patient-centered care)
2. Behavioral Health Integration (services that better address the needs of individual with mental health and substance use conditions)
3. Connecting Communities and Supporting Health Professionals/Community Health Workers (CHWs) (support paraprofessionals who serve as connectors between health professionals and the community)
4. Virtual Learning and Telehealth (leverage technology to improve curricula and community-based experiential training)
5. Social Determinants of Health (economic stability, education, social and community context, health and health care, neighborhood and built environment)
6. Cultural Competency (recognize and address the unique culture, language and health literacy of diverse consumers and communities)
7. Medical Practice Transformation (quality improvement, care coordination, cost containment, rural health care, primary care, care for underserved/disadvantaged populations, patient-centered care)
8. Current and Emerging Health Issues (HRSA AHEC approved: opioids and substance use disorders, oral health as part of overall health, oral health integration, COVID-19)