PRIME-HEq

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What is it?
Program in Medical Education-Health Equity (PRIME-HEq)

• One of five UC (health sciences) system wide PRIME programs; launched in 2007

• Inclusive program, which emphasizes multicultural, multidisciplinary approaches to patient care, research, and health care advocacy

• 5-year dual degree program (i.e. Masters in Public Health, Masters in Healthcare Leadership, Masters in Clinical Research, Masters in Business Administration)
PRIME-HEq **Goals**

- Prepare physicians to provide health care services to underserved and at risk populations
- Increase number of clinicians, research scientists and advocates addressing minority health and health disparities
- Create a diverse community of scholars that develop, disseminate, and apply new knowledge in minority health and health disparities
- Promote a multidisciplinary community/university partnership to eliminate health disparities and increase health equity
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Curriculum
PRIME-HEq **Curriculum Year 1**

- Integrated Scientific Curriculum (standard)
- PRIME-HEq courses
  - **SOMI 233 (fall): Influences on Health: From Genes to Communities** (combination of didactic, problem-based, and community engagement activities)
  - **SOMI 234 (spring): Beyond the Bench and Bedside-Partnering with Communities** (emphasis is on developing the skills required to perform community-based research)
- SOM electives that emphasize cultural and language studies as well as immersion experiences
PRIME-HEq Curriculum Year 2

• Integrated Scientific Curriculum (standard)
• Independent Study Project or required courses for Masters degree
• PRIME-HEq courses
  – SOMI 235 (fall, winter, spring): Health Minds, Healthy Bodies
    (health curriculum taught to inner city high school students)
• Telemedicine elective in partnership with a local high school (under development)
• SOM electives (emphasize cultural / language studies, immersion experiences)
PRIME-HEq Curriculum Year 3

- Clinical Clerkships (standard)

- Longitudinal Primary Care Clinic (underserved population)
PRIME-HEq Curriculum Year 4

• Class work requirement for Masters degree
PRIME-HEq Curriculum Year 5

- Completion of requirements for Masters degree
- Direct Patient Care Electives
- Health Policy and Advocacy elective (under development)
PRIME-HEq Curriculum Other

- PRIME-HEq students are given the opportunity to enhance their cultural competency and knowledge of traditionally underserved communities through excursions, performances, and presentations, including program-sponsored community tours, theatrical productions, and conferences.
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Student Demographics
PRIME-HEq: Racial Distribution 2007

- Caucasian: 67%
- Latino: 33%

(3 students)
PRIME-HEq: Racial Distribution 2008

(18 students)
PRIME-HEq: Racial Distribution 2009

(8 students)
PRIME-HEq: Student-Directed Activities

- Development of PRIME lecture series
- Community outreach
- Political Advocacy meetings
- Planning of PRIME retreats
- SOM Admissions Liaison
- Monthly PRIME meetings
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Website:

http://meded.ucsd.edu/ugme/prime-heq/
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Questions?