MISSION

To bring health sciences alive for high school students, especially those in underrepresented populations, who would like to explore career interests in the health professions.

OBJECTIVES

- To encourage students to persevere in the health sciences by exposing them to practical knowledge that builds confidence and assists in achieving excellence.
- To provide students with a meaningful experience that foster relationships as they progress through their academic career.

RATIONALE

Toledo Starz captures high school students early in their academic careers, which is critical to establishing a more diverse applicant pool at the University of Toledo in the future. Once students have participated in the program they are tracked at different stages in the educational pipeline, from high school to college and beyond.

LOCATION

The University of Toledo
Health Science Campus

TIME

4:00—6:00PM

MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT: 50

MEALS: Meal Provided

CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTANCE

- Student Application
- Official High School Transcript
- GPA of 2.0 or higher
- Science Teacher Recommendation Form
- 250 Word Typed Essay [State your interest in the program and what you hope to gain. Address and give examples of your desire to pursue a career in the health sciences. In other words, demonstrated motivation toward the health sciences]

IMPORTANT DATES

Application materials will be accepted from
April 30—September 4, 2009

Final Selections will be made by or prior to:
September 14, 2009
All notices will be sent to the student's home.

"Starz is very hands on and interesting".

— Sophomore
Scott High School, 2008—2009

FOR AN APPLICATION PACKET OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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Toledo Starz

September 2009 -
May 2010
Health Science Campus

Bringing the Sciences Alive!

THE UNIVERSITY OF
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CHOOSE A HEALTH CAREER!

Physician, Nurse, Technician, or Medical Researcher: the list goes on. These careers are not unrelated to each other. In fact, they all work together as part of an interdisciplinary team. Now imagine yourself as a member of a healthcare team discussing important medical cases at the University of Toledo Medical Center.

WHAT IS STARZ?

Toledo Starz was established fall 2006. This exciting after school enrichment program is geared towards high school students in the Toledo area who have an interest in the health professions. The year-long program runs from September–May at The University of Toledo on the Health Science Campus.

Accepted students will attend monthly sessions that explore diverse medical issues encountered by patients, and as well as a variety of health-related topics. Students will be required to demonstrate their knowledge by preparing a research project. Starz culminates in a juried Super Starz Symposium in the Spring, and students who successfully complete the enrichment program will graduate with a certificate of achievement

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

High school freshmen, sophomore, junior and seniors who have a sincere desire to pursue medical careers. While students of all ethnic and cultural groups are accepted into the program, special consideration may be given to applicants who are historically underrepresented in the sciences (i.e. certain races, gender, with disability, etc.).

STARZ NEWS BULLETIN

This monthly newsletter is for student participants and their parents/guardian.

ATTENDANCE

Students will meet monthly. Each presentation potentially provides vital information that student participants can utilize toward their research projects. Consistent attendance is essential

ORIENTATION

Thursday, September 17, 2009

This session will address program content, expectations and questions.

———PROGRAM CONTENT—-—

Thursday, September 24, 2009

"Careers That Make You Say Hmm" Students learn the various roles of health care professionals via a panel discussion, and are given a tour of campus.

Thursday, October 24, 2009

"What Did the Patient Say?" Students will interact with 'patients' and learn how to gather patient information through effective communication and interviewing skills.

Thursday, November 19, 2009

"In Case of An Emergency" How does an Emergency Room work? Students take a trip to the non-stop world of the emergency medicine, including the vast array of health care professionals caring for patients.

Thursday, December 17, 2009

"This Bone is Connected to That Bone" From Injury to recovery and what takes place during joint replacement and the rehabilitative process.

Thursday, January 21, 2010

"Take Two and Call Me in the Morning" This interactive session gives students a chance to see into the world of the pharmacist.

Thursday, February 18, 2010

"Search Your Research" This session will aid the student in preparing for their upcoming research project and presentation.

Thursday, March 10, 2010

"Got Skills?" This session examines the importance of valuing one's culture, and how this can impact healthcare delivery.

Thursday, March 25, 2010

"Tales from the Forensic Side: Facts and Fiction" Students will be presented with case studies involving forensic pathology and analysis of a criminal investigation.

"Starz is something I really enjoy coming to. I love learning new things."

—Senior
Bowsher High School, 2008-2009

Tuesday, April 22, 2010

Super Starz Symposium! Students will make a formal poster presentation, giving them an opportunity also to enhance their communication skills while presenting their research findings during this juried event.

Please Note: Session Content and/or dates are subject to change.