



RUSM students celebrating their Residency placements at Match 2019.



ROSS UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Road to Medical School

AIM SCHOLARS PROGRAM
(Access and Inclusion In Medicine)

Memorandum of Understanding

Background

The AIM Scholars Program

Ross University School of Medicine (RUSM) partners with America's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs) and a select group of institutions to offer preferred admissions into our MD curriculum through our AIM Scholars program for high performing minority students. Over the past 40 years, RUSM has trained more than 15,000 alumni. Of the 3,500 medical students enrolled at RUSM in 2021, 25% are underrepresented minorities.

In addition, RUSM has nearly double the percentage of graduates practicing primary care, who do so in medically underserved areas—more than is typical at American and Canadian medical schools.

The AIM program is designed to change the face of medicine by providing opportunities to worthy candidates who have been historically disadvantaged by systemic bias in educational institutions. For RUSM, AIM stands as an important and necessary collaboration with outstanding partner institutions to support our commitment to a more equitable future in education and healthcare.

Heidi Chumley, MD, MBA Dean of Ross University School of Medicine

Dr. Chumley most recently served as provost of American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine. She served at the University of Kansas School of Medicine. As vice chancellor for educational resources and interprofessional education she was responsible for fostering a vibrant learning environment supported by technology and other academic resources. She also served as senior associate dean for medical education, responsible for admissions, curriculum and student affairs.

Dr. Chumley has been recognized with national awards for teaching, leadership and scholarship, including the President's Award from the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine. She earned her doctorate degree in medicine from the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, where she also completed her residency in family medicine and a fellowship in academic leadership.



Partnership Benefits



MERP TUITION SCHOLARSHIP

Offered to students who are admitted to the Medical Education Readiness Program and directly admitted students who opt to take MERP prior to beginning first semester.



MCAT APPLICATION DEFERENT

Prospective students are eligible to apply to without an MCAT and will be reviewed for the MERP program. Prospective students will also be required to successfully pass MERP and have a MCAT score reported (within required deadlines) prior to enrolling to first semester.



FLIGHT & LODGING TO CAMPUS

All accepted students will have the opportunity to visit Barbados and get to experience a day in the life of an RUSM Student. RUSM will cover flight and lodging for two nights and up to two guests. Enrollment Agreement required.*



FIRST SEMESTER SCHOLARSHIP

Offered to students who are directly admitted and successfully pass MERP.



FIRST SEMESTER HOUSING SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship will cover first semester housing and may be eligible for the scholarship to be extended to second semester.



FLIGHT TO FIRST SEMESTER

All accepted students will receive a scholarship covering their flight to attend first semester.*

*Not available to Florida students.

RUSM is focused on your academic success

CONTACT ADMISSIONS:

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- Direct contact and admissions support to answer all your application and admissions questions.
- New Student Coordinator to help with your acclimation to campus.
- Assigned Peer Mentor to assist in your transition to life as a medical school student.
- Access to the Academy for Teaching and Learning (ATL) to help develop your plan for your medical school success.
- Clubs and organizations to connect and share common and explore new interests.
- Students are eligible to apply for admissions to any of RUSM's three start dates during the year.

For more info on the program, or list of partners:

medical.rossu.edu/admissions/aimscholar

RUSM Student Profile

Enrollment Data for Students Enrolled in the September 2021 Semester

Race/Ethnicity



23% Asian
21% White/Non-Hispanic
15% Black or African-American
8% Hispanic

3% Two or more races
<1% American Indian/Alaska Native
<1% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
29% Undisclosed

84%

of students are between the age of 22-29 years old at the start of the program

Citizenship



88% US citizen/permanent resident
7% Canadian

3% US Permanent Resident
2% Other

MALE

FEMALE

47%

53%



HBCU ALUMNUS SPOTLIGHT

ISRAEL OLOYE, MD '18

After graduating from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU) with a bachelor's degree in Nursing, Israel Oloye, MD '18, was inspired to apply to Ross University School of Medicine (RUSM) so that he could do, offer, and learn more.

After graduating with his medical degree from RUSM in 2018, Oloye began a Family Medicine residency at his first choice program at Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare, where he is poised to begin his senior year and begin teaching first-year residents. He is looking forward to his new role as a mentor, and hopes to continue to grow into the physician he hopes to be – one who is compassionate and who does right by both his patients and his community.



ALUMNUS SPOTLIGHT

FRANCO CHEVALIER, MD '17

This active outdoorsman is the first in his family to practice medicine, thanks to his parents who worked tirelessly to upgrade the family from an underprivileged area to a middle-class community. "We had humble beginnings. My sisters and I were fortunate to have parents who made sacrifices and were diligent with education and telling us that no dream was impossible. Growing up in the Dominican Republic without the same opportunities as the U.S. was tough. Being an Afro-Latino man added an extra layer of complexity but one that helped me build resilience and pride. When it comes to people of color, it's unfortunate to see that unspoken and suppressed racism still exists. Unless it's happening to you, it can be difficult to relate to all the injustice. But now people are raising their voices and reminding everyone — no matter what color they are — that things could be better. And we're all starting to do something about it."

Data represents students who voluntarily reported. Institutional data is self reported. For comprehensive student consumer information, visit [medical.rossu.edu/student-consumer-information](https://www.medical.rossu.edu/student-consumer-information). Ross University School of Medicine is part of Adtalem Global Education.