WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN....HEALTH, MEDICINE, AND HUMAN VALUES (B.A./M.D)

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO:
The UNM Health, Medicine and Human Values website (2013) states, “The Health, Medicine, and Human Values (HMHV) program is an undergraduate component of UNM’s combined B.A./M.D. degree program”. The B.A./M.D. program follows an, “integrated curriculum that covers a broad base of interdisciplinary course work in the humanities, social sciences, mathematics, and physical sciences, program participants will complete a Bachelor’s degree at the end of four years, after which they will complete their Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) degree in the School of Medicine at UNM where a seat will have been reserved for them” (UNM Health, Medicine and Human Values website, 2013). Additionally, “the HMHV program offers students flexibility in choosing an undergraduate major while providing them with a structured pre-medical core of special seminars focusing upon humanities, fine arts, and social/behavioral sciences studies in the context of health science and medicine; with experiential learning practica; and with a suite of mathematics and physical/natural science courses that will prepare them for medical school” (UNM Health, Medicine and Human Values website, 2013). Furthermore, UNM offers the Health, Medicine and Human Values concentration as a minor (UNM Health, Medicine and Human Values website, 2013).

INDUSTRIES & TARGET EMPLOYERS:
A variety of employers specifically recruit UNM students and alumni. Consult UNM’s Lobo Career Connection for a complete list of employers and current job postings. Speak with a Career Development Facilitator at the UNM Office of Career Services for help with identifying employers or additional resources for your occupation of choice.

Healthcare:
- Hospital labs, physician offices, physician, anesthesiology, general surgery, obstetrics/gynecology, internal medicine, psychiatry, pediatric/adolescent medicine, family practice, doctors without borders

Public Health:
- Occupational health and safety, community health care, environmental testing

Education/Research:
- Research laboratories and institutes, University/college teaching/administration, researcher,

Management:
- Administrator/Manager

Government:
- National Institutes of Health, Armed Services

SUGGESTED STRATEGIES
- Throughout your undergraduate degree, gain volunteer/paid hours of hands on experience/observation by volunteering or working in a healthcare setting where licensed physicians are employed.
- Shadow physicians of interest to gain a better understanding of their occupation and to build relationships with professional mentors.
- Maintain high achievement in undergraduate science and liberal arts courses.
- Build your network and get involved on campus through student organizations, such as the UNM Pre-Medical Organization and other campus events. Find organizations and events at the Student Activities Center website.
- Attend career related campus events such as career fairs, company information sessions, and or career workshops.
- Students who are interested in medical school should maintain a high undergraduate GPA, high “science” GPA, and perform well on the MCAT (medical college admittance test) as well as develop relationships with faculty and community leaders.
- Speak with mentors and faculty about career opportunities.
- Job leads can be found on your department’s website, list-servs, newsletters, and social media sites.
INFORMATIONAL WEBSITES:

- Pre-professional Medical Society
- Association of American Medical Colleges Aspiring Pre-Docs
- American Medical Association
- American Board of Medical Specialties
- American Academy of Family Physicians

http://www.onetonline.org/
http://www.bls.gov/oco

REFERENCES
