## **MD CONSULTANTS** Pre-med 101 Crash Course (3hr)

Interested in a career in medicine? This summer course is designed to introduce high school and undergraduate 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year students to the basics of pursuing a medical career, including providing information and tips on the medical school application process and beyond. It is commonly known that the application process to medical school is competitive. From our experience, about 1% of students who express an interest in becoming a physician during their first year of undergraduate studies, eventually matriculate into medical school. As a future applicant, it is important to be socialized into the profession from a young age to navigate the unspoken pitfalls of the admissions process.

Our crash course is led by 1 consultant (current medical student) and is limited to 4-6 student participants. The aim of this cap is to provide a small group/ seminar style learning experience, akin to the problembased learning (PBL) format used in medical school. Our crash course is meant to be intensive, interactive, and imminently useful. There will be short breaks available during the session. Participants are of course welcome to ask questions at any time.

The 3-hr course will be split into two sections with an interactive case study activity in between. Part 1 of the session will focus on the topic of "Becoming a Doctor," including an overview of the profession, a portrayal of the responsibilities and lifestyle of doctors in different specialties, and the licensure process and career pathway of a doctor. The case study will allow students to role play as different healthcare professionals within a medical scenario. Part 2 of the session will provide students with an overview of the medical school application process. Topics include: tips on optimizing each component of the candidate profile, pathway of a non-traditional applicant, the similarities and differences between US and Canadian medical school applications, and common misconceptions about medical school applications.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

## 1. When are sessions held?

On select weekends between May-August. Email <u>info@mdconsultants.ca</u> to inquire about the next session date.

2. Where are sessions held?

This in-person crash course is currently only offered in Toronto. The session will be held at our downtown Toronto office location, 100 College Street.

3. What will I gain from attending this session?

You will gain the following from attending our Pre-med 101 Crash Course:

- Hard copy of our admissions guidebook, "Your Guide to Get into Medical School"
- Q&A time with a current University of Toronto medical student
- An understanding of the pathway to pursuing medicine, from high school until full licensure
- Up-to-date and firsthand information about the US and Canadian medical school applications from a medical student who has been through the process and can offer tips on optimizing your applicancy

## 4. What is the enrollment fee?

Email <u>info@mdconsultants.ca</u> for pricing information regarding the Pre-med 101 Crash Course.