STUDENT FEEDBACK

"It was very interactive and hands on. Everyone had such a good vibe."

"The thing I liked best was that I got to know about things I NEVER KNEW."

"Thank you so much. You guys opened many doors for us and this program was just another step to success."

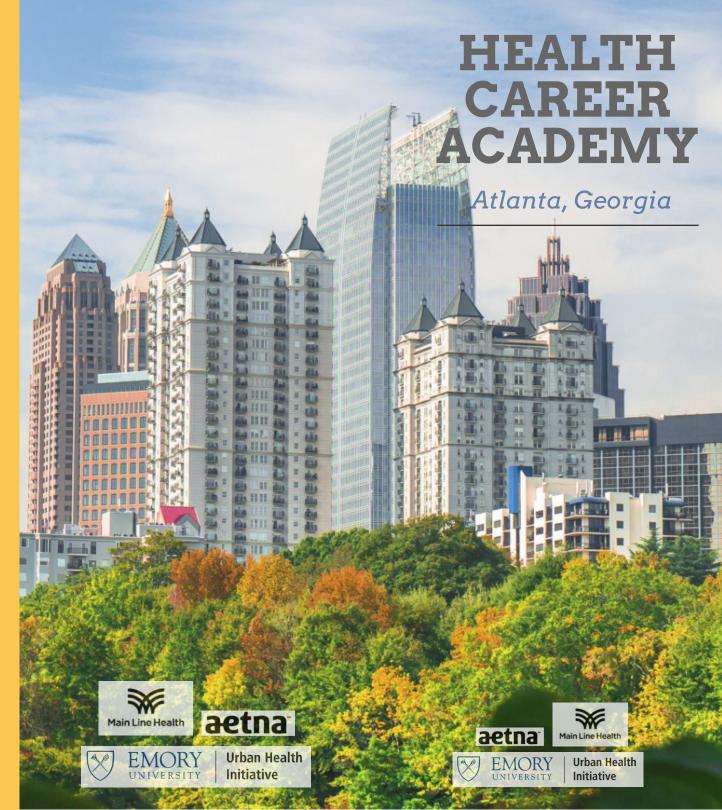
"This program was great. I can't wait for next year."

"Thanks for all the work and effort put in. I really enjoyed it because I would like my profession in the healthcare fields."

"It was exhilarating and fun."

"I enjoyed everything, but what I loved most about it was how we were one big family."





PROGRAM SUMMARYOur Mission and Goals



The Mission of the Health Career Academy is to provide mentorship, engagement with health curriculums, and exposure to health careers to high school students from low-income, underrepresented minority

- 1. Engage students in project-based learning with a focus on science and health care related issues
- 2. Encourage students to graduate from high school
- 3. Model a diverse range of health-related career pathways
- 4. Empower students to identify the most pressing health needs in their community and engage students in community-based health promotion activities

10TH GRADE

A Hands-on Introduction

Students participate in a twelve-session curriculum of project-based learning, such as the following:

- Tours of health schools and departments
- Career Day
- At-risk behavior workshops

After learning about a variety of medical topics, the 10th graders present a health topic at a city-wide finale. A key feature of the finale presentation is that the high school students select a health topic that is meaningful to them and their community and play a central role in creating their presentations.



11TH GRADE

Deepening Understanding of Health Science



The main objective of the curriculum is to integrate basic scientific principles with relevant social issues that the students may face in their communities.

The public health modules include:

- Trauma/Violence Prevention
- Cancer screening
- Nutrition/Obesity/Diabetes
- HIV/STIs
- Hypertension/Heart Disease

As a final project, 11th grade classes will select one public health topic of their own choosing and create an informational video message aimed at teens and focused on prevention.