## 2021 Rural Medical Student Survey Results

The Wright Rural Medical Scholars program surveyed the students in the Boonshoft School of Medicine (BSOM) Class of 2021 who completed at least one clerkship or elective at a rural site. We received a response rate of 78% and are pleased to share the results with you.

#### **BY THE NUMBERS**

Students Completed at least ONE Rural Rotation

37 Rural Rotations were Completed

of Rural
Students
Matched in a
Primary Care
Residency

of Rural
Students
Stayed in
Ohio for
Residency

# IF I WERE TO REPEAT MEDICAL SCHOOL KNOWING WHAT I NOW KNOW, I WOULD:

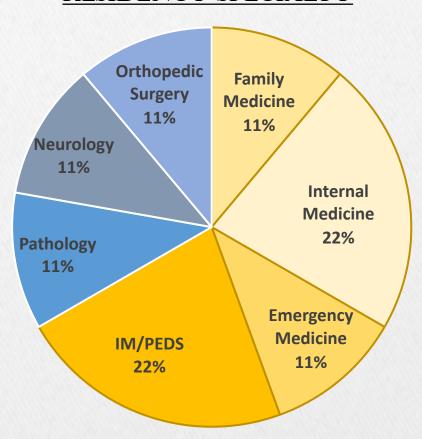


Request MORE Clinical Experiences at a Rural Site

Complete the SAME Number of Clinical Experiences at a Rural Site

Request LESS Clinical Experiences at a Rural Site

### RESIDENCY SPECIALTY



# 86% of respondents said they would recommend rural rotations to other students

## INTEREST LEVEL OF PRACTICING IN A RURAL SETTING

Scale	Prior to 1st Rural Rotation	At the Time of Graduation		
Not Likely (1-3 on 10 Point Scale)	29%	14%		
Passive (4-7 on 10 Point Scale)	43%	14%		
Very Likely (8-10 on 10 Point Scale)	29%	71%		

# TOP REASONS TO COMPLETE A RURAL ROTATION

#1	rural setting
#2	The opportunity to work directly with a preceptor (no residents or other students at the site)
#3	The opportunity to live temporarily in a rural setting
#4	I plan to practice in a rural community
#5	I thought a rural office/clinic/hospital would

provide a less stressful atmosphere

## 2021 Rural Health Medical Student Survey Results

#### My participation in the Wright Rural Medical Scholars Program has:

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree
Improved my Overall Medical School Experience	0%	14%	0%	0%	86%
Enhanced my Academic Development	0%	0%	14%	14%	71%
Enhanced my Professional Development	0%	0%	0%	29%	71%
Enhanced my Personal Development	0%	0%	0%	29%	71%
Increased my Knowledge of Primary Care in Rural Settings	0%	0%	0%	29%	71%
Increased my Knowledge of Healthcare in Medically Underserved Rural Communitites	0%	0%	14%	14%	71%
Increased my Ability to Succeed in Medical School	0%	0%	29%	14%	57%
Increased my Satisfaction in Medical School	0%	14%	0%	29%	57%
Increased my Interest in Practicing Rurally	0%	0%	29%	14%	57%
Increased my Interest in Primary Care	29%	14%	14%	0%	43%
Increased my Interest in Residency Training in a Rural or Underserved Setting	0%	0%	57%	0%	43%

### What Improvements to the WRMS Program would you recommend?

- Not making the OAFP Summer Preceptorship Program a requirement, so students can do both the Global and Rural Health Tracks, I feel these go hand-in-hand.
- Continue to expand rural clinical experiences for medical students through a variety of healthcare systems.
- Not making me drive back to Dayton twice a week.
- Expanding opportunities to Internal Medicine and OBGYN as well as EM

### Any other comments you would like to provide?

- Keep up the great work! Rural Health program changed my life! Thank you!
- THANK YOU for all of your help making rural experiences possible—it has truly been the best part of medical school.
- Way too much driving. If we are going to be rural don't make us drive back and forth so much
- Doing these rural rotations literally secured me the career path that I want currently. It helped me discover my interests better, gave me hands on experiences, and helped connect me with much needed mentors. 10/10 to our rural program!