

# 2022 Rural Medical Student Survey Results

The Wright Rural Medical Scholars program surveyed the students in the Boonshoft School of Medicine (BSOM) **Class of 2022** who completed at least one clerkship or elective at a rural site. We received a **response rate of 56%** and are pleased to share the results with you.

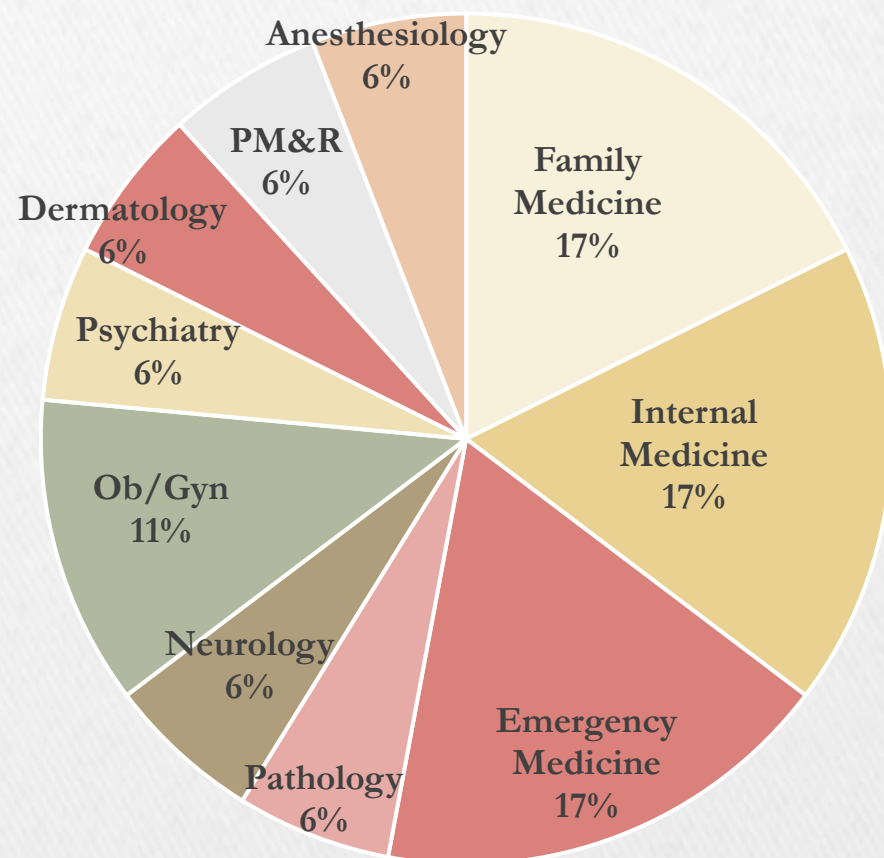
## BY THE NUMBERS

**18** Students Completed at least ONE Rural Rotation  
**47** Rural Rotations were Completed  
**28%** of Rural Students Matched in a Primary Care Residency  
**33%** of Rural Students Stayed in Ohio for Residency

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

**70%** Request MORE Clinical Experiences at a Rural Site  
**30%** Complete the SAME Number of Clinical Experiences at a Rural Site  
**0%** Request LESS Clinical Experiences at a Rural Site

## RESIDENCY SPECIALTY



**90%** 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)	67%	40%
Passive (4-7 on 10 Point Scale)	33%	20%
Very Likely (8-10 on 10 Point Scale)	0%	40%

## TOP REASONS TO COMPLETE A RURAL ROTATION

- #1** The opportunity to experience healthcare in a rural setting
- #2** The opportunity to work directly with a preceptor (no residents or other students at the site)
- #3** I am interested in medically underserved populations
- #4** The opportunity to live temporarily in a rural setting.
- #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%	0%	0%	20%	80%
Enhanced my Academic Development	0%	0%	0%	20%	80%
Enhanced my Professional Development	0%	0%	0%	10%	90%
Enhanced my Personal Development	0%	0%	0%	20%	80%
Increased my Knowledge of Primary Care in Rural Settings	0%	0%	0%	10%	90%
Increased my Knowledge of Healthcare in Medically Underserved Rural Communities	0%	0%	10%	40%	50%
Increased my Ability to Succeed in Medical School	0%	0%	30%	20%	50%
Increased my Satisfaction in Medical School	0%	0%	0%	20%	80%
Increased my Interest in Practicing Rurally	0%	10%	10%	50%	30%
Increased my Interest in Primary Care	0%	20%	40%	20%	20%
Increased my Interest in Residency Training in a Rural or Underserved Setting	0%	20%	40%	40%	0%

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

- Making it possible to complete all clerkships rural; do not weed out students by academic performance (I cannot think of any resources I did not have access to at the Lake Campus, especially with technology). It is so important for students truly interested in rural to have this opportunity, regardless of class quartile/test performance.
- None, hands down a huge strength of the school.
- Just getting more rotations/electives available to students!
- Keep expanding student opportunities across the various specialties.
- None, keep up the solid work and don't get too big that you dilute the goodness that is there with the bureaucracy that we have at the rest of Boonshoft.

## Other Comments

- I truly believe the Rural Scholars Program was responsible for my success in medical school. I struggled M1 and M2 year in Dayton, but the opportunities I was afforded in the Rural Scholars Program allowed me to find mentors, ask questions and learn without embarrassment/competition from other students, and thrive.
- Jayna and Lori were both tremendously helpful in setting up rural experiences and making the process run smoothly.
- The training I received through this program FAR exceeds the experiences my classmates had. This program was also very organized and provided our schedules more than 2 days in advance (not very common on normal rotations). And the administrators were incredibly friendly and available. The preceptors take genuine interest in every student they work with and create an exceptional learning environment. This program should be the blueprint for how the rest of the school operates.
- Thank you all so much for what you do! Rural rotations really made my 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> years of medical school more enjoyable and I would do it all over again in a heartbeat.
- I loved my experience with doing a rural rotation. It was not too relevant to my chosen specialty of anesthesiology (which has very few rural opportunities), but overall I would recommend this program to everyone to experience.