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Register Now for UAMS' Summer Under the Microscope Camp

LITTLE ROCK — The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) Department of Environmental Health Sciences (EHS) will host its inaugural Summer Under the Microscope camp.

The program is for Arkansas high school students and recent high school graduates. It takes place June 8-12 on the UAMS campus. The department, which is part of the UAMS Fay W. Boozman College of Public Health, will take applications through June 1 or until all slots are filled. There is no grade point requirement for the camp.

The participation fee is \$250. Financial assistance is available.

“We’re offering this summer program based on our expertise in public health and environmental health science,” said Chris Fettes, EHS program director and instructor. “We hope to build awareness of public health educational opportunities and careers and also increase the recruitment pipeline to young people who have an interest in science.”

Under the supervision of the department’s faculty, participants will conduct science-based projects at labs throughout UAMS. The students will also have career discussions with environmental health science and toxicology professionals.

Summer Under the Microscope — supported by a \$9,000 UAMS Chancellor’s Circle Grant — is a means to help the department demonstrate its work, promote public health, and give back to the community.

“We want to build relationships with local schools so we can introduce environmental health science to young people in our communities,” Fettes said. “Not only is this a chance to bring prospective students to our college, but it’s also a way to give back to our communities with enriching educational opportunities.”

“Our mission as a university is to improve the health of all Arkansans,” he said. “We believe that starts with educating young people so they can contribute to solving Arkansas’ health problems as they continue their educations in high school, college, and beyond.”

To register for the camp visit [UAMS.info/MicroscopeCamp](https://uams.info/MicroscopeCamp).

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