FAMU/FAU MEDICAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM
“Advancing Medicine Through Diversity”

FAMU Science Delegation Visits FAU Medical School
A science delegation from the Florida A&M University (FAMU) Medical Scholars Program and the College of Science and Technology paid a visit to the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine at Florida Atlantic University (FAU) on September 14, 2014. In 2012, FAMU and FAU established the first-of-its-kind Medical Scholars Program (MSP) between the two institutions. The program has the overall goal of attracting and enrolling outstanding high school seniors who have made an early and informed decision to ultimately pursue a doctoral degree in the field of medicine. The primary goal of this program is to admit academically talented high school students to the MSP at FAMU, with a conditional acceptance into the FAU College of Medicine. This visit by the FAMU delegation served three purposes; (1) to solidify the great working relationship between the two institutions, (2) to review and strategize the future trajectory of the MSP, and (3) to tour the medical school facility, while also engaging direct observation of medical school level Problem–Based Learning (PBL) sessions.

The day consisted of the FAMU delegation arriving at the medical school a little before 8:00am. First on the agenda was an introductory and overview presentation of the MSP by Dr. Julie C. Servoss, Co-Chair of the MSP with Dr. Michael J.L. Smith. The presentation was followed by PBL sessions, lunch on campus, small break-out meetings for various members of the FAMU delegation with key counterparts at FAU, a final afternoon meeting with the Dean of the medical school and a quick trip approximately two miles away to tour the medical school simulation center. In all, the visit was a total success, and it reinforced the strong inter-collegiate relationship between FAMU and FAU. Weekly conference calls and regular correspondences continue between the members of the FAMU-FAU MSP Committee, which includes 3 members from FAMU and 3 members from FAU.
Michelle N. Wilson
Michelle N. Wilson is from Miami, FL and graduated from Miami Lakes Educational Center. From her induction, she continues to set the standard on scholarship, mentorship and leadership in the Medical Scholars Program (MSP). Michelle entered Florida A&M University in the fall of 2013 and acquitted herself in the first year of college with a 4.0 GPA, and ranked #1 in the MSP. Fast-forward into her second year of college and in spite of stiff competition from some of the most gifted students in the MSP she remains at the top ranking of #1, and still maintains her 4.0 GPA. She continues to serve as a student representative of the MSP since her interview with Douglas Blackburn of the Tallahassee Democrat in July of 2014.

Robert T. Seniors, III
Robert T. Seniors, III is a member of the first cohort of the FAMU Medical Scholars Program (MSP). He is the only male in his pre-medical cohort. Robert continues to perform at the highest academic levels. Since his induction into the MSP he has distinguished himself as a young man of high integrity and great potential. His professors and advisors have been more than impressed with his work ethic and commitment to producing excellent works, and excellent performances on assessments. He serves as a leader and role model for younger members of the MSP.

Robert was recently featured in the “Journal” magazine. The Journal is a national magazine published by the Grand Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Robert was featured for having the third highest GPA (3.91) in the “Southern Province” of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. The Southern Province is comprised of Alabama, Florida, Bahamas, U.S. Virgin Islands and the Republic Panama. Robert is ranked in the top 5 of the MSP as a Biology pre-medical student. His accolades are truly a testament of the boundless future of this young man. In the MSP, we know that Robert will continue to soar high.

Recruitment
The Medical Scholars Program admits incoming high school seniors who are exceptionally talented with 3.5 or better un-weighted GPA, 27 or better ACT and/or 1800 or better SAT planning to attend Florida A&M University and subsequent medical school.