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25 percentage of the student body indicating an interest in a health career

35 percentage of the 2013 freshman class interested in a pre-health major

11 Furman’s 2013 ranking among undergraduate universities for research

100 students supported by Furman Advantage in 2013–2014

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In the fall of 2013, Furman and the Greenville Health System (GHS) entered into a formal academic partnership that will allow the University to develop innovative programs for undergraduate students interested in health-related careers and offer hands-on experiences at one of the Southeast’s largest health systems.

Although specific plans are still under way, Furman professors envision a bridge program for students entering medical school and vastly expanding internship and research opportunities that could touch nearly every academic department from religion to economics.

“It will be Furman’s responsibility to design and oversee programs to provide students with a wide range of learning experiences at GHS,” said Furman Interim President Carl Kohrt ’65.

Because students are embedded in the health care delivery system from their first days on the GHS campus, they experience an interprofessional approach to education from practicing clinicians that hones their academic skills as well as critical team skills. The model helps offer the right experience at the right time in each student’s educational journey.

As a liberal arts institution, Furman is equipping students to experience the health care workforce, a process widely recognized as the best pre-professional training for students entering health-related careers.

“This kind of singular vision to transform health care simply hasn’t happened before in the United States. GHS and its university partners will be a catalyst for a new way of thinking, a model of change that breaks down boundaries and rebuilds a new approach that can leverage resources, harness new ideas, and create a synergy that creates tangible real-world results.”

—SPENCE TAYLOR, M.D., VICE PRESIDENT OF PHYSICIAN ENGAGEMENT AT GREENVILLE HEALTH SYSTEM (GHS) AND PRESIDENT & CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER OF GHS CLINICAL UNIVERSITY