Empower Illinois undergraduate students to make a difference in our community.

IHSI's **Community-Academic Partnerships for Health** offers an operative framework for engaging students in community-based research. The Community-Academic Scholars Initiative empowers undergraduate students to work with a faculty mentor and community organization in an existing collaboration designed to directly benefit local community members.

During the 10-week summer program, scholars:

- **Address critical issues** like health disparities, brain health, and poverty
- **Learn about translational research** and develop practical skills
- **Join community-academic scholars** across campus in weekly facilitated discussions and speaker sessions
- **Create and present a poster** for their work in a publically-open forum

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“These opportunities push you to think critically, be more concerned about your community, and ignite the fire within to create change.”

Geraldine Dagher
Human Development & Family Studies student, 2019 Scholar for Health Equity

Become a program collaborator.

Partner with IHSI's Community-Academic Partnerships for Health to join an existing program.

**SCHOLARS for HEALTH EQUITY**
Office of the Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion | College of Education | IHSI

**SCHOLARS for BRAIN HEALTH**
Beckman Institute | Chez Veterans Center | IHSI

**SCHOLARS for SOLVING POVERTY**
Center for Social & Behavioral Science | IHSI

Or, start a new one. Contact Emily Stone at ers@illinois.edu.

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