

## DELAWARE VALLEY SCHWEITZER FELLOWSHIP UPDATE

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Recruitment efforts for the Delaware Valley Schweitzer Fellows Program ended February 1, 2007. As anticipated, an overwhelming application response was received in the final week and a half before the deadline. The program received 23 Fellowship applications, with a variety of community service proposals submitted by medical, law, podiatry, nursing, public health, divinity, art therapy, and public health students. All of these students have expressed their explicit interest in community service, “*Reverence for Life,*” and the exceptional life works of Albert Schweitzer. Through a rigorous screening process, and in-person interviews, fellows will be selected to pursue their proposed activities aimed at enhancing the overall health of local communities within the Delaware Valley. The inaugural group of fellows will set the precedent for those to follow.

The Department of Health Policy at Jefferson Medical College has disseminated material about the fellowship program throughout Delaware Valley to inform eligible students about this wonderful opportunity. This approach has paid off, as we have a diverse group of students to select from for this inaugural class.

We will welcome the fellows in early April 2007, and will share more details about their projects and progress in upcoming Health Policy newsletters.

For further information on the program, including opportunities to sponsor a Fellow or becoming a mentor, please contact the Program Coordinator, Nicole M. Cobb, MAOM, at 215-955-9995, or [Nicole.cobb@jefferson.edu](mailto:Nicole.cobb@jefferson.edu). Also, feel free to visit our website at [www.schweitzerfellowship.org/features/us/del](http://www.schweitzerfellowship.org/features/us/del).