

Legacy Teachers™

Recognizing Our Patients as Teachers

At the University of Missouri School of Medicine, patient-centered care is our highest priority. In recognition that many of our best and most memorable teachers are our patients, we created the **Legacy Teachers** program to celebrate and recognize our patients' contributions to our life-long learning and development.

Open to All M3s

We invite every third-year medical student to participate by reflecting on the patients who have had a lasting impact on your learning.

Essays, Poems & Artwork

Submit a short **essay, poem** or **artwork** that describes a patient who stands out as especially important to your growth as a physician.

Luncheon

Selected quotations/submissions, authors and Legacy Teachers will be celebrated at the **16th Annual Legacy Teachers Luncheon** date and location to be determined.

Publication

A compilation of quotations/submissions will be published commemorating our patients' impact on young physicians and their prospective patients.

Dean's Office Recognition

A letter highlighting your efforts will be added to your dean's office file.

Submission Guidelines

Your submission should be about a patient you have directly cared for as an M3.

Essays, poems, and artwork are all acceptable. Emphasize how the experience affected you and the lessons you were taught, using medical details only to illustrate the lessons learned. Entries will be reviewed by a faculty panel for appropriateness and quality.

Essays

Essays should be 2-3 pages long. Please use a patient pseudonym.

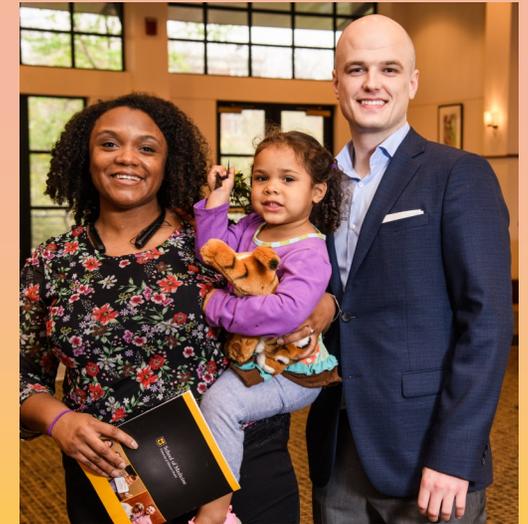
Poems & Artwork

Include a one-page description explaining what your patient taught you.

Deadline: February 3, 2021

Send submissions [here](#).

"My Legacy Teacher rekindled my passion for medicine. He reminded me of how I should treasure every moment I get to spend working with or going the extra mile for my patients. I hope to never forget how privileged I am to be a physician."



Connor Mullen and his 2019 Legacy Teacher with her mother

Examples

of the patient you might want to describe in your Legacy essay, artwork or poem

- **A patient who changed you** and helped make you a better future physician.
- **A patient who taught you** to listen deeply and to understand his or her experience.
- **A patient who showed you** the crucial roles of comfort and compassion, the importance of good communication, or the vital role of family and caregivers.
- **A patient you will never ever forget;** whose lessons will always be a part of who you are.
- **The patient who taught you** the most about yourself as an individual and as a future physician.

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Wednesday, February 3, 2021
Early submissions appreciated!

Poems, essays and artwork accepted.



Erin Ehlers and her 2019 Legacy Teacher

Send submissions here

Questions?

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Charles Walde and his 2019 Legacy Teacher with her family

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