Announcing the Embark Program  
2019 Mini-Manuscript Scholarship Award Winners

Generous donors of OUWB support students by funding scholarships that are awarded through the school’s Embark program. Third year medical students have the option of preparing a mini-manuscript reporting their Embark program capstone project outcomes. The manuscripts are judged by a panel of faculty, and the students who prepared the top manuscripts are awarded partial scholarships to be used in their fourth year at OUWB.

*Based on generous funding from our donors, the following students have recently been awarded partial scholarships for the M4 year as a result of excellent manuscript submissions to the M3 Mini-Manuscript competition.*

**Ann V. Nicholson Embark Program Manuscript of the Year 2019**

**Moses Evbuomwan**, Factors that Influence Students’ Willingness to Consent and Submit Their DNA for Medical Research: A Cross Sectional Study of Oakland University Students; mentor: Inaya Hajj Hussein

**2019 Ravitz Foundation Embark Competitive Scholarship Awards**

**Md Saon**, Performance of CT Colonography and Impact of Extracolonic Findings; mentor: Sayf Al-Katib

**Diana Jomaa**, The Effect of Enhanced Recovery After Surgery (ERAS) on Outcomes Following Colorectal Surgery; mentor: Harry Wasvary

**Justin Yuan**, The Role of Stereotactic Radiosurgery in Treatment for Brain Metastases from Small Cell Lung Cancer; mentor: Inga Grills

**Alison Thomas**, Anatomical Considerations of the Recurrent Laryngeal Nerve and its Vulnerability during Surgical Procedures of the Neck; mentor: Jickssa Gemechu

**Allyson Dimagno**, Chronic Kidney Disease Impact on Total Joint Arthroplasty Outcomes; mentor: Inaya Haj Hussein

**2019 Newman Family Foundation Embark Competitive Scholarship Award**

**Prachi Shah**, Assessing Cultural Competence of Physicians in Diabetes Management during Ramadan; mentor: Asha Shajahan

The students began work on their capstone projects in their first year of medical school. For many of the mini-manuscript competition participants, preparing their articles for submission to the competition is the start of the final phase of their projects – that of scholarly achievements earned through dissemination of their findings at conferences and in journal article submissions.

Embark is a required scholarly concentration program of the Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine (OUWB) that provides a mentored introduction to research and scholarship. The four-year longitudinal curriculum consists of structured coursework in research design and implementation, compliance training, research communication and scholarly presentation, with protected time to develop mentored projects in a wide-range of community and health-related settings.