



# Accelerating Progress: The Journal of Student-Run Clinics

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## Abstract

The second issue of the Journal of Student-Run Clinics features a perspective article, an original research article, and two descriptive reports. The perspective article explores the contemporary progress of student-run clinics as narrated by current and past leaders of the Society of Student-Run Free Clinics (SSRFC) in context of the upcoming SSRFC Annual Conference. The original study investigates why faculty members volunteer at student-run clinics and gives insights as to how to improve faculty involvement. The descriptive reports outline an urban eye health initiative and how one osteopathic clinic cares for the rural underserved. Members of twenty-six institutions and five health disciplines have participated in the journal as of the second issue. Nine articles were reviewed for this issue, and four were published.

## The Journal of Student-Run Clinics

The journal has grown rapidly since the inaugural edition was released in 2015, experiencing a surge of articles submitted in an ever expanding range of topics related to student-run clinics (SRCs). With the continual progress and interdisciplinary evolution of SRCs, we are honored to share the scholarly and reflective work conducted by this community. We are especially excited that this issue is being released with the 2016 Society for Student-Run Free Clinics Annual Conference held this year in Phoenix, Arizona, USA. Each year at the Annual Conference, students from around the world inspire and energize each other with their creativity and compassion. What is captured at the conference and in the journal are just fractions of the imagination and humanity that describe participants at SRCs.

This journal issue features a perspective article, an original study, and two descriptive reports. We learn from the East Harlem Health Outreach Partnership, Georgetown Eye Health Initiative, Campbell University Student-Run Free Clinic, and current and past leaders of the Society of Student-Run Free Clinics:

- How have SRCs adapted to new climates in healthcare and medical education?

- What drives faculty to volunteer at SRCs?
- How can we deliver basic eye health screening services to the urban underserved?
- How does one osteopathic SRC work to improve access to care for the rural population?

As always, we encourage you to share and discuss these articles and submit any ideas you would like to show the world!

## Journal Statistics

Disciplines currently represented: 5 (allopathic medical, osteopathic medical, graduate health sciences, pharmacy, social work)

Institutions represented: 26

Submissions evaluated for second issue: 9

Submissions published in second issue: 4

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