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The Hanger Foundation Announces University Partners for 2024-2025 Diversity Scholarship Program

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AUSTIN, Texas, August 20, 2024 – As part of its ongoing commitment to diversity and inclusion in orthotics and prosthetics, the **Hanger Foundation** announced today it will partner with five universities as part of the 2024-2025 Hanger Foundation Diversity Scholarship program. Entering its fourth year, the program was established in 2021 to help recruit underrepresented students into the O&P profession.

The Masters of Science in Prosthetics and Orthotics (MSPO) programs at these five institutions will award a two-year scholarship to students to help supplement the cost of their degree:

- Alabama State University
- Kennesaw State University
- Northwestern University
- Salus at Drexel University
- University of Pittsburgh

"The Kennesaw State University MSPO program is honored to receive this scholarship, and we deeply appreciate the support it represents," said Kennesaw State University MSPO Program Director Adrienne Hill. "The funding will significantly enhance our ability to advance the academic and career goals of a student in the field of orthotics and prosthetics through clinical education. We are excited to make the most of this opportunity."

In addition to receiving a scholarship, all recipients will be offered a two-year mentorship with the option of pursuing a residency at Hanger Clinic. Students can apply directly through the MSPO program at their respective

universities. The schools will select scholars who display remarkable academic achievement, community service, and a passion for diversity within the O&P profession.

For more information on the scholarship program, visit https://hangerfoundation.org/impact/scholarships/.

About the Hanger Foundation

The Hanger Foundation was founded in 2009 by Hanger, Inc., a leading provider of orthotic and prosthetic (O&P) patient care services and products. Hanger's heritage of charitable giving began over 160 years ago. For many years, Hanger clinicians and employees consistently and generously donated millions of dollars in care and financial contributions to a variety of causes, including hardship cases in their own communities. In 2009, Hanger formalized and increased its philanthropic work by establishing a nonprofit organization, the Hanger Foundation. For more information, visit: www.hangerfoundation.org.

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