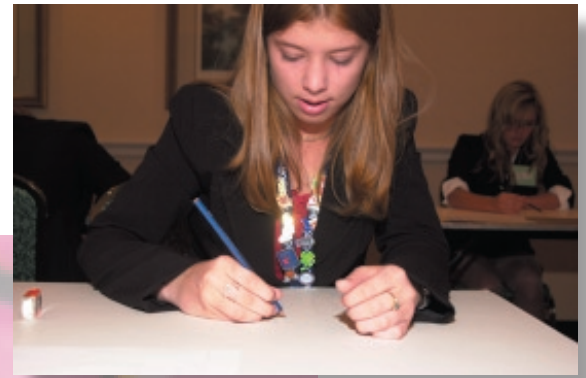




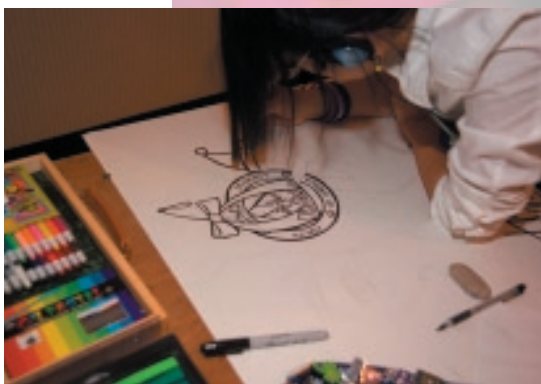
Career Spotlight: Medical Illustrator



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Do you love to draw but want a career in medicine? If so, you should consider becoming a Medical Illustrator. This profession will allow you to utilize your creative and artistic talents while learning about medicine and science. Medical Illustrators create visuals to go along with medical and biological related materials. The illustrations appear in medical textbooks, advertisements, instructional videos, computer-assisted learning programs, and exhibits. Medical Illustrators work in three dimensions, creating anatomical teaching models, models for simulated medical procedures and prosthetic parts for patients.

This field is most rewarding for those who enjoy both art and science. To become a Medical Illustrator, you must have a master's degree from an accredited graduate program in Medical Illustration. An emphasis in science and art in your undergraduate studies will aid in your acceptance to a graduate program. An experienced Medical Illustrator can earn between \$52,000 and \$73,000 annually. This job allows you to be artistic, while still pursuing your love for medicine and health professions.



HOSA gives you the opportunity to showcase your artistic talents through a variety of Competitive Events. For instance, Extemporaneous Health Poster allows you to develop a poster on a health-related topic. Career Health Display allows you to create a visual display of a specific career or cluster of careers in health. If you are interested in becoming a Medical Illustrator, competing in these events allow you to practice and refine your skills to prepare for a job in this field. If Medical Illustration interests you, start now with HOSA!

