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Plymouth State faculty Chris Chabot indicates photoreceptors on a juvenile horseshoe crab to students Matt Sebas and Shihwa Park.

NH-INBRE PROGRAM RECEIVES \$18.1M TO EXPAND BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

LED BY THE GEISEL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE and the University of New Hampshire, the New Hampshire IDEa Network of Biomedical Research Excellence (NH-INBRE)—a statewide collaborative partnership of two- and four-year colleges—has received a five-year, \$18.1 million grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to continue a successful program aimed at expanding biomedical research capacity and training in New Hampshire.

The IDEa program builds research capacities in states that historically have had low levels of NIH funding by supporting basic, clinical and translational research, faculty development, and infrastructure improvement. This is NH-INBRE's second NIH IDEa grant.

The initial NIH grant to NH-INBRE supported nearly 600 New Hampshire college students who participated in 25 research projects funded at partner schools, which include Colby-Sawyer College, Franklin Pierce University, Keene State College, New England College, Plymouth State University, Saint

Anselm College, and the Community College System of New Hampshire.

NH-INBRE also identifies and funds outstanding biomedical researchers among faculty members of partner institutions so they can lead research programs that contribute to biomedical research, and in turn acquaint their students with top-level research, building important skills needed to succeed in New Hampshire's growing biotechnology sector.

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ADVOCATES FOR LATINO HEALTHCARE

FOUNDERS OF GEISEL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE'S LATINO MEDICAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION (LMSA), Adrianna Stanley ('18) and Freddy Vazquez ('18), were elected co-directors of the association's Northeast Region during the 43rd Annual Regional Conference held earlier this year.

Humbled and thrilled by the opportunity to be serving on the northeast board as co-directors elect, Stanley says she and Vazquez are looking forward to continuing Dartmouth's status as a leading force within the LMSA community for the next two years and beyond.

Hosted by Geisel at the new Williamson Translational Research Building, the conference drew nearly 300 alumni and student attendees interested in Hispanic healthcare and was a first on three fronts: the first conference of this magnitude addressing Hispanic health at Dartmouth, the first held in a rural setting, and the first featuring migrant health.

Also of note, Geisel's LMSA chapter received a 2016 Regional Chapter of the Year Award for their work in and commitment to the Latino population. Stanley and Vazquez established Geisel's chapter a little more than a year ago to shed light on the medical school's support of the growing Latino community.

“I think this is sending a very clear message to everyone about how inclusive Dartmouth is,” Vazquez says. “And about the opportunities there are for minority Latino students and faculty.”