CURRICULUM SCHEDULE

The fourth year curriculum will provide you with breadth and depth of learning experiences while helping you attain competencies at an advanced level (sub-internship) in the domains of patient care, knowledge, interpersonal and communication skills, professionalism, system-based practice, life-long learning, and practice-based learning. The faculty expects that your program will be academically broad and vigorous, with courses and clerkships selected to prepare you for the supervised practice of medicine in any field. There is flexibility within the schedule to provide diverse opportunities for in-depth exploration of areas of interest to you while helping you to select and prepare for the residency of your choice.

The fourth year schedule is your map to graduation, and you will use the E-Flight system to schedule destinations along the way. Your advisors and mentors will help you plan your itinerary, and E-flight will help you book your reservations. Get ready for a fantastic journey!

eFlight System: http://eflight.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu

READ the eFlight Instructions. Once logged in, a personal profile outlining your career goals will be required. Contact Ryan Traynham with any questions you have about the system.

Schedule Prep

1. We strongly advise you to meet with your College Advisor regularly throughout the 4th year.
2. When developing your fourth year schedule, keep in mind the type of residency you are applying for. It’s ok if you are still debating between 2 or 3 different specialties. You can organize your schedule to give you electives in several areas to help with your decision. If you are still struggling with your career choice, please call Carmelina for further assistance.
3. Review the “Specific Residency Advice by Specialty Guide” which provides elective suggestions from UCDMC Residency Program Directors. Additional copies of this guide can be obtained from Carmelina.
4. Helpful Resource websites:
   c. http://www.aamc.org/students/cim/

The Basics

1. You are required to have a minimum of 36 weeks of coursework with 28 being direct patient contact (Acting Internships, Ambulatory Acting Internships or Advanced Clinical Clerkships). A maximum of 4 weeks may be Clinical Didactic. Research and Reading Electives do not count towards the 36 weeks. If you are unsure about a course, please ask.
2. Courses will only receive credit if they appear on your Approved Schedule prior to the first day of class. No Retroactive Additions for credit!
3. Any 3rd year clerkships taken during your 4th year do not count towards your required weeks.
4. 4th Year Credit may be earned for Didactics and Advanced Clinical Clerkships taken prior to the end of 3rd Year as long as the student has successfully completed a minimum of 4 clerkships.
5. No more than 8 weeks of any course will count towards the 36-week requirement.
6. International Rotations must be approved for credit prior to the beginning of the rotation. Instructions on how to petition the Fourth Year Oversight Committee for credit can be found on page 17 of the Fourth Year Guide.

Curriculum Specifics

The following were adopted by the Fourth Year Oversight Committee to assist students in meeting the Breadth and Depth expectations of the Committee for the 4th year curriculum. Definitions for these specific categories can be found in the Appendix on Page 19 of the Guide.

- 4 weeks of SPO or SSM
- 4 weeks of Undifferentiated Patient Experience
- 4 weeks of inpatient Acting Internship from one of the following departments: Internal Medicine, OB-GYN, Pediatrics, Surgery, Family & Community Medicine and Psychiatry
- 4 weeks of Inpatient or Ambulatory Acting Internship in any department/discipline
- 20 weeks of additional curriculum
- 16 weeks must be taken at UC Davis

Undifferentiated Patient Experience

Students may take one of the following courses to meet this requirement.

EMR 440 – Emergency Medicine Clerkship
EMR 465 – Acting Internship in Emergency Medicine
EMR 470 – Pediatric Emergency Medicine
PED 460A – Inpatient Pediatrics Acting Internship
PED 460B – Outpatient Pediatrics Acting Internship
PED 468 – Pediatric Nephrology

Away Rotation Limitations

Course work completed at other institutions may count towards your curriculum requirements with approval of the sponsoring UCDHS Department. See Page 20 of the Guide for information on Away Rotations.

Curriculum Breadth:

The Fourth Year Oversight Committee will review each student’s schedule to ensure breadth and vigor. Programs should include a mixture of core and subspecialty learning experiences.

Flight Plan Approval Process

Fourth Year Oversight Committee will review and give final approval to all schedules.

If you have additional questions about your Curriculum Schedule, please contact:

Ryan Traynham