

ELECTIVE NAME:

Advanced Internal Medicine: Medicine/Pediatrics

COURSE NO:

MED 628

PREREQUISITE:

Required Medicine and Pediatric Clerkships

INSTITUTION:

Helen DeVos Children's Hospital

INSTRUCTOR:

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OBJECTIVES:

Upon completion of the clerkship the student should:

- Be familiar with the evaluation and management of common medical problems and the basic principles of health maintenance for children and adults.
- Gain an appreciation for the overlap in health issues pertinent to Internal Medicine and Pediatrics and learn more about disease processes that span generations.
- Be familiar with the basic principles of prevention and patient education.
- Gain proficiency in a number of basic procedures pertinent to outpatient practice.
- Recognize the importance of psychosocial issues in patient care.

DESCRIPTION:

This rotation is designed to provide individualized teaching in the management of inpatient and outpatient medical problems for students considering a combined Medicine/Pediatrics residency. Common problems seen in the medical setting, psychosocial issues affecting patient compliance and general health maintenance care are addressed. Students will typically spend one week each on Medicine and Pediatric inpatient settings and two weeks in outpatient office settings. Flexibility exists to tailor the month to meet individual student needs upon discussion with the Clerkship Director. Other activities may include grand rounds and teaching conferences.

Inpatient: 50%; Outpatient: 50%.

EVALUATION:

Preceptor(s) will be asked to submit a written evaluation at the conclusion of the clerkship. Faculty are encouraged to provide ongoing feedback throughout elective rotations.