

ELECTIVE NAME:

Outpatient Family Medicine

COURSE NO:

FMP 610

PREREQUISITE:

Required Family Medicine Clerkship

INSTITUTION:

Ambulatory Offices

DESCRIPTION:

This elective will introduce the student to the concepts of Family Medicine, including the comprehensive health care provided in the outpatient setting. A major emphasis will be placed on practical, clinical experience through direct patient care. The Family Medicine elective clerkship trains the student in the broad range of patient problems cared for in Family Medicine, with particular emphasis on patient interviewing, clinical procedures, diagnosis, and the use of community resources. The clerkship often helps students to clarify their career goals concerning Family Medicine. The student will be paired with one primary preceptor and schedule a number of secondary options. Possible settings include: the Family Medicine residents' office, a neighborhood clinic for the underserved homeless, a neighborhood clinic for Hispanic residents, private community family physician.

OBJECTIVES:

1. The student will develop an appreciation for family medicine as a specialty and become aware of the goal of continuous and comprehensive care as it relates to Family Medicine.
2. The student will develop skill in the assessment of problems presented by ambulatory patients.
3. The student will observe all facets of Family Medicine, stressing the inter-relationship of disease and prevention of disease within the family unit.

EVALUATION:

Pass/Fail. Preceptor(s) will be asked to submit a standard Clinical Performance Evaluation at the conclusion of the clerkship. Faculty are encouraged to provide ongoing feedback throughout the elective rotations.