General Information

COURSE CHAIR: Edward Ray, MD
STUDENT COORDINATOR: Linda Heineman
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STUDENTS / PERIOD: max 1 min 1
DURATION: 3 – 4 weeks

Electives at Cedars-Sinai start in May. Please visit our VSAS catalog for dates and to submit your application.

Requirement(s)

1. USMLE Step 1 Score
2. Two Letters of Recommendation

Description

This sub-internship is intended to provide the student with in-depth knowledge of plastic surgery with significant emphasis on reconstructive and microvascular surgery. The student is expected to function at the level of an intern, including pre-operative assessment of the patient in the clinic or inpatient setting, participation in the operating room, and post-operative care of the patient either in the intensive care unit or on the wards. In addition, the student is involved in formal bedside presentations and case presentations, which are teaching sessions that are held weekly.

Course Objectives

1. Take an accurate, focused patient history as it relates to the plastic surgery patient.

2. Ability to perform a focused physical exam which may include a vascular exam, and assessment of functional or aesthetic defects.

3. Ability to concisely make a patient presentation at the bedside and in the clinic setting.

4. Knowledge of management of common reconstructive techniques for the face, breast, abdomen, and extremity.

5. Knowledge of management of wound complications.

6. Knowledge of appropriate use of imaging modalities, such as ultrasound, CT scan, and angiography for pre-operative planning of traumatic, oncologic, and congenital deformities.


8. Knowledge of muscular and vascular anatomy of the face, chest wall, torso, and extremities.


10. Knowledge of hand surgical emergencies

Student Experiences

COMMON PROBLEMS/DISEASES
- Wound healing
- Myocutaneous flaps
- Microvascular reconstruction
- Skin grafting
- Deformities caused by trauma
- Deformities after oncologic surgery

INPATIENT: 50%
OUTPATIENT: 50%
CONSULTATION: 70%
PRIMARY CARE: 30%

CLOSE CONTACT WITH
- Full-Time Faculty
- Clinical Faculty
- Fellows
- Residents
- Interns

Additional Information

ON-CALL SCHEDULE & WEEKEND ACTIVITIES:
In-house call once per week
One day per week off
Student is expected to participate in weekend rounds for routine patient care.

NOTE: Training will take place at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Cedars-Sinai subsidiaries, or other facilities with affiliation arrangements with Cedars-Sinai.