2015-2016 Academic Year
Clinical Schedule Selection Process
Class of 2017

Overview

I. NOTES ABOUT THE CLERKSHIP SCHEDULE
The Clerkship schedule is composed of four (4) 12-week blocks:
Internal Medicine/Primary Care I, Surgery/Anesthesiology/Elective, Neurology/Elective/Psychiatry and Pediatrics/Women’s Health

II. ORDER OF CLINICAL SCHEDULE
The order of your clinical schedule is determined by a web-based lottery.

   Step 1 Track Preference
   ➢ Students consider what order they would like to take their clerkships and rank that preference. Refer to the Clinical

   Step 2 Primary Care I Clerkship Rotation
   Students are asked if they would like General Primary Care or Family Medicine to fulfill their Primary Care I requirement.
   ➢ General Primary Care – Students have a choice of sites that are all Medicine, Pediatrics or a combination of MED/PEDS.
   ➢ Family Medicine – Students will see a variety of patients from Pediatrics to Geriatrics.

III. CLERKSHIP HOSPITAL SITES
Once students receive their clerkship schedule, they will submit hospital site preferences for all clerkships except Anesthesiology and Primary Care I (General and Family Medicine). Reversed randomly assigned priority numbers are assigned.

   ➢ Site assignments made at the beginning of the year are considered to be TENTATIVE and may be subject to change. (e.g. if a site decides to decrease the number of students it can take in a given rotation)
   ➢ Transportation issues must be resolved prior to the start of the clerkship
   ➢ If you have any religious obligations during the course of your clerkship, you must notify the Clerkship Director before the start of your clerkship.

IV. THE REGISTRATION PROCESS
Each student will be randomly assigned a priority number which will be used to assign the order of the clinical schedule. These priority numbers are then reversed to create the priority numbers for the hospital site lottery.

V. CORE YEAR (MS3) ELECTIVES (To be added after initial clerkships are registered)

   ➢ There is dedicated elective time throughout the academic year. Students will register for their Core Year elective(s) at the end of January 2015. A listing of available electives will be made available at that time. Before that time, you may refer to the 2014-2015 Course Catalog as there are usually few changes. Go to the Office of the Registrar website at http://sls.downstate.edu/registrar for more information.
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2014

October 23  Students begin to enter their preference for the order of their clerkships through an on-line lottery system

November 14  Last Day to enter order of clerkships

December 4  Results of the Clerkship Lottery to be released

December 4  Students will begin entering hospital site preferences into web-based lottery program

December 19  Deadline for hospital site assignment preferences

2015

Jan 7  Mandatory Class Meeting for Affiliation Paperwork

End of Jan  2015-2016 Electives Catalog will be available for viewing on the web

End of Jan  Site assignments released for entire academic year

End of Jan  Begin to Register for Core Year Elective(s)

April 10  Deadline to take Step 1

Wk of April 13  Transition to Clerkship mandatory orientation

April 20  First Day of Clerkships/Core Yr Electives