Overview of the Advanced Clinical Year

Class of 2019

C.A.R.E.
Career and Residency Exploration Program
Today’s Meeting Agenda

1. Review Clinical Requirements for Graduation

2. Overview of the next few months and things to consider as you construct your senior schedule
Clinical Requirements for Graduation - Class of 2019

- **Core Third Year** -
  - Trans. to Clerkships
  - Medicine - 8 wk
  - Primary Care I - 4 wk
  - Surgery - 8 wk
  - Anesthesiology - 2 wk

- **Gateway 3**

- **Clerkships and Core Elective(s)**
  - Women’s Health - 6 wk
  - Pediatrics - 6 wk
  - Psychiatry - 6 wk
  - Neurology - 4 wk
  - Core Yr (MS3) Electives – 2 or 4 weeks
Clinical Requirements for Graduation - Class of 2019

- **Advanced Clinical Year**
  - Primary Care 2 - 4 wk
    - Geriatrics/Palliative Care
  - Diagnostic Radiology - 4 wk
  - Emerg Med Clerkship – 4 wk
  - Subinternship – 1 month
    - Medicine or Pediatrics
    - Subinternships in other specialties count as elective credit (i.e. Surgery)

- **Selective(s)** – 4 wk (or Two 2 wk)
  - Select from Translational Science Courses (T-Sels)

- **Critical Care** - 2 wk
  - SICU, MICU, NICU, PICU
  - Can be taken away at another medical school

- **Electives** – 16 weeks
  - Check distribution requirements for subspecialties, research, and extramural electives
  - Students are permitted to do as many electives as their schedule will allow

- Any Core Clerkships not completed in third year must be completed in April-June 2018.
CARE 301

- Senior Schedule Planning Seminars
- Career Month – Residency program directors and departmental specialty advisors give workshops *(Jan-Feb 2018)*
- Student-to-Student Residency Forum *(Peer advice after Match day)*
- Nuts and Bolts of Residency Application Process Seminars
  - CV and Personal Statement Writing
  - ERAS completion guidance
- Specialty advisor assistance with program application selection

**Practical Opportunities**
- Four weeks of Core electives for career exploration
CARE 401

- Meetings for seniors having difficulty making a final decision on specialty
- Interviewing Seminar
- Rank Order Strategies
- Review of individual rank order lists
Coming Up!

January Composing Your Senior Schedule
- Small group meetings
- Includes reviewing some sample senior schedules

Jan 8 – Feb 8 Clinical Departmental Mtgs
Sign-Up Required - will be posted on PRIME

Jan 30 Visiting Student Application Service
(VSAS/GLHO for Away Electives)
Coming Up!

- Early Feb  On-line Registration begins
- Feb 15    Away Electives and VSAS
- May, June, July Nuts * Bolts Residency AppProcess
- On-going Q & A seminars throughout summer
Overview of Calendar

- **Spring Semester (Jan thru May)**
  - Career planning, Meet Clinical Dean, Attend Departmental Meetings, Register for senior schedule, apply for away electives, Register for Step 2 CK/CS. Have you started a CV?

- **April, May, June, July, Aug, Sept**
  - Take Step 2 CK/CS by November 1, 2018
  - Exploring and Decision Making
  - Take subinternship or electives departmental advisors have suggested taking
  - Letters of recommendation - 3 required
  - Submitting residency applications, writing personal statement
  - **ERAS MUST be submitted by September 15th**
    - Students are able to apply to more than one specialty
Overview of Calendar

**Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan** - Interviews

**February** – Submit Rank Order List

**March** – Match Day! **March 15, 2019!!**

**May** – Graduation! **May 21, 2019!!**
Things to Consider when Designing your Senior Schedule

- YOU will create your schedule, in consultation with your Clinical Assistant Dean
- Downstate electives in field(s) you are considering
- Possible off-campus electives timing
  - July not a good idea... Do Downstate elective first
- Clerkship Reexaminations (if applicable)
  - Most scheduled in April; Schedule posted on Registrar website
- Step 2CK – Ideally April through June 2018
- Step 2CS - Ideally July through September 2018
  - BUT No Later than November 1, 2018
Things to Consider when Designing your Senior Schedule – Con’t

- Required Subinternship – early for LOR vs. later
- Research electives?
- Electives of interest
- Interviews usually require one month off
  - Early Match – November or December
  - Regular Match – November, December or January
- Global Health in Dev Countries - April/May 2019
USMLE Step 2

- Step 2 has two parts: Step 2 CK (Clinical Knowledge) and Step 2 CS (Clinical Skills)
- Taking & Passing Step 2 CK & CS is a graduation requirement.
- All students are required to register and schedule both Step 2 CK & Step 2 CS by August 1, 2018.
- All students are required to take both Step 2 CK & Step 2 CS by November 1, 2018.
Cost of Step 2 CK 2018: $610

Cost can be included in the senior year Financial Aid/Student Loan package - once.
Step 2 Clinical Skills Exam

- Cost of Step 2 CS 2018: $1,285
- Score: Pass/Fail
- Register through NBME
- Registration for exam will begin this month
- Closest site: Philadelphia
- Gateway 3
  - Required Standardized Pt assessment Spring 2018
  - Office of Academic Affairs will e-mail assignments
Step 2 Timing Issues

- Recommend taking month off for Step 2CK
- Benefit of taking it early - close to Core Year shelf exams. We encourage you to take the exam in April 2018 or as early as you can.
- Residency programs want Step 2CK on your application (9/15) – few exceptions.
- Timing of Step 2CS – recommended immediately following SubI or Emer Med
- Most students do not take time off to study for Step 2CS.
Letters of Recommendation

- Most residency programs require **3** letters.
  - A.K.A. LORs

- When ERAS opens in May 2018, you may begin to designate letter writers and the request process.

- Letter writers will upload their LORs directly onto the ERAS LOR portal.

- Although **YOUR ERAS** application is sent out Sept 15, LOR’s can be sent in by program deadlines which can be as late as 11/1, although the sooner the better.
Course Scheduling & Registration
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- Remaining Core Clerkships
  - Will be scheduled for you
  - Currently enrolled clerkships end 3/23/18
  - Clerkships begin **4/9/2018**
  - If you have special issues or concerns, make an appointment with Ms. Shonbrun or Dean Christoforou
  - You will receive an email later this month about entering your site preferences.

- **Senior Advanced Courses begin 4/2/2018**
Registration for Advanced Clinical courses will occur in 3 periods:
- Spring 2018 registration (Course dates Apr – June)
- Fall 2018 (includes July – Dec 2018)
- Spring 2019 (includes Jan – May 2019)

Elective offerings for Spring 2018 on-line

Elective offerings for 2018-19 academic year will be available in February 2018.
Course Scheduling & Registration

- Clerkship remediation dates on Registrar website

- If you’re “undecided” use May, June, or July to take electives/SubI to assist your decision.

- Taking Away electives before “prime-time” (May or June 2018) …. VSAS availability

- Clinical Schedule Planner to assist you in developing your schedule is posted on-line.
Need Help?

- Assistance with your individual senior schedule, some resources:
  - Your Clinical Assistant Dean
  - Specialty Advisors
  - Christoforou or Shonbrun
  - Upperclass students