

## GENITOURINARY ONCOLOGY

**Credit:** Selective C or Elective

**Location:** Norris Cancer Hospital

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Applications will be accepted beginning February 1st of Year III on a first-come, first-serve basis

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**REPORT TO:** Norris, 4th Floor ICU at 7:00 a.m.

**PREREQUISITES:** Surgery Clerkship; 3-week Urology surgical specialty core clerkship is not mandatory, but preferred

**DURATION:** 4 or 6 weeks

**DATES OFFERED:** All Year

**Rotations scheduled:** to begin any Monday

**NUMBER OF STUDENTS:** 2

**VISITING STUDENTS:** No

**SUPERVISION:**

50% Residents

10% Fellows

40% Faculty

**DESCRIPTION:**

The selective will introduce the student to the management of patients with genitourinary tumors, with emphasis on major surgical procedures and urinary tract reconstruction. Students will be exposed to pre-and postoperative care of such patients, including fluid and electrolyte management, wound care, bowel function, management of catheters and drains, and management of the more common surgical complications. A detailed understanding of the anatomy of the pelvis, abdomen and retroperitoneum, with special emphasis on important surgical relationships will be encouraged.

**EVALUATION:**

Students will be informed of expectations and methods of evaluation at orientation on the first day. Students will be evaluated by house staff and faculty. Students will meet with Dr. Skinner for feedback and informal feedback from residents and fellow.

**\*Selective Attendance and Illness Policy**

In order to insure adequate clinical exposure, no more than 3 days of excused absences (to include official Holidays) can be accepted during a selective. This policy does not imply that absences are guaranteed; absences may be excused at the discretion of the faculty. Absence due to illness must be reported to the faculty or his/her designee as soon as possible. In case of extended absence (2 days or more), a note from a physician (who is not a relative) is required and the absence will be reported to the Office of Student Affairs. A physician note may be requested for any absence, at the discretion of the faculty.

Students will generally be required to make up days before a passing grade can be assigned. All absences must be excused and any planned absence must be registered with the preceptor prior to the first day of the selective. Students should take vacation time if he/she anticipates a need for more than 3 absences during a selective. USMLE and BLS/ACLS will not be considered excused absences.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

Students will be able to:

1. Describe the surgical anatomy of the abdomen, retroperitoneum and pelvis, especially as it relates to the urinary tract.
2. Demonstrate clinical skills in surgical history taking, physical examination, and formal and informal case presentation at the bedside.
3. Describe the basic natural history, presenting symptoms and signs, diagnostic work up, and treatment options for urologic malignancies, including cancer of the bladder, prostate, testis, and kidney. Discuss surgical approaches to these diseases, as well as common surgical complications.
4. Demonstrate clinical skills for diagnosis and management of such surgical complications as infection and sepsis, hemorrhage, pulmonary embolus, urinary leakage, ileus and bowel obstruction, and organ system failure.
5. Demonstrate preliminary surgical technical skills, including surgical assisting, knot tying, wound care and minor bedside procedures.