

CONSULTATION/LIAISON PSYCHIATRY

Credit: All

Location: LAC+USC Medical Center

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

PREREQUISITE: Psychiatry Clerkship

DURATION: 4 or 6 weeks

DATES OFFERED: All year

Rotations scheduled: to begin any Monday but same date as students on Psychiatry Clerkship rotations preferred.

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 1

VISITING STUDENTS: Yes

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Students will be able to:

1. Assess and treat patients for whom consultations have been requested in General Hospital
2. Develop differential diagnosis and treatment plans for patients.
3. Conduct ongoing patient follow-up and documentation of patients.

SUPERVISION:

60% Residents
40% Fellows

DESCRIPTION:

The student is based on the Psychiatric Consultation Service at LAC+USC Medical Center. Under close supervision by staff and residents on the Consultation and Liaison Psychiatry Service, he/she will provide routine and emergency consultation and follow-up for patients hospitalized at LAC+USC Medical Center. Experience is gained in evaluating and managing many psychiatric problems in medicine including: diagnostic dilemmas, behavioral disturbances, neuropsychiatric workups, suicide attempt management, social problems and liaison work. The student is also expected to participate in departmental and divisional conferences and seminars. Duties can be modified to accommodate students with special interests.

EVALUATION:

Students are evaluated by faculty with input from residents, and a written evaluation is completed by the course preceptor. No written or oral tests are given.