

PLASTIC SURGERY

Credit: All

Location: LAC + USC Medical Center

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

PREREQUISITE: Surgery Clerkship

DURATION: 4 weeks

DATES OFFERED: All Year

Rotation scheduled: to begin on any Monday

NUMBER OF STUDENTS: 1

VISITING STUDENTS: Yes

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students will be able to:

1. Discuss pathophysiology, variable anatomy and surgical techniques related to flaps.
2. Discuss indications and choice of breast reconstruction.
3. Discuss prevention and treatment of decubitus ulcers.
4. Develop expertise in variety of wound management options.

SUPERVISION:

60% Fellows

30% Faculty

10% Residents

DESCRIPTION:

This Plastic surgery clerkship will introduce the medical student to the broad realm of reconstructive plastic surgery and wound care management. This includes decision-making, preoperative preparation, operative treatment, postoperative care and follow-up. Participation will be concentrated in daily patient care rounds, assisting in surgery, attending surgical conferences, and outpatient care.

EVALUATION:

No formal written or oral tests given. Student's performance is assessed by the faculty who work with them as for their effort, proficiency and behavior. Participation during rounds and in the operating room is heavily weighted. All the staff will evaluate the individual student and the preceptor will summarize the overall performance in the student evaluation form.