

PATHWAY ADVISING PROGRAM SELECTION FORM

Academic Medicine Pathway

Description: This program is for students who wish to learn about the research process and desire an increased exposure to basic or clinical studies. The components of the program will be dispersed throughout the four year curriculum. Students enrolled in this program will have the opportunity to read and critically evaluate the scientific and medical literature, perform and present a mentored research project, receive direct feedback from an expert in the field, and critique the research and presentations of their colleagues in the program.

Achievement Timeline:

Year I: Declare academic medicine pathway (Jan); attend research seminars; visit laboratories of seminar speakers or alternate research faculty; begin to develop concept of Year II RSP; Apply for summer research fellowship (if appropriate).

Year II: Select project sponsor and topic; required student project in an area of interest; attend research seminars; present research project on Medical Student Research Day.

Year III: No formal requirements.

Year IV: Take a minimum of eight weeks research elective; participate in Grant Writing Workshop.

Advanced degree option: Pursue an advanced degree in an area of interest.

Clinical Specialist Pathway

Description: This pathway is designed to expose students to the majority of medical specialties and assist students with the exploration of all career options. The components of the program will be dispersed throughout the four year curriculum and will include some self-assessment and career-exploration sessions. Students enrolled in this program will have the opportunity to flourish in the clinical setting, interact with experts in various medical specialties, and explore available options to ensure the greatest chance for satisfaction and success in their professional lives.

Achievement Timeline:

Year I: Declare clinical specialists pathway (Jan); attend seminars in Careers in Medicine; shadow physicians in their office or clinic (optional); Begin to develop concept of Year II RSP.

Year II: Select project sponsor and topic; required student project in an area of interest; attend seminars in Careers in Medicine; present Year II RSP on Medical Student Research Day.

Year III: No formal requirements.

Year IV: Take a minimum of eight weeks of elective in area of specialty choice.

Advanced degree option: Pursue an advanced degree in an area of interest.

Community Health Pathway

Description: This pathway is designed to expose students to community-based medical settings; especially those that care for the medically underserved, and those without health insurance. This pathway will enhance clinical education through electives in public and private community clinics and health centers, public health departments, physicians' offices in low income communities, and schools.

Achievement Timeline:

Year I: Declare Community pathway (Jan); attend seminars in Community Medicine and Health Policy; develop concept of Year II RSP.

Year II: Select project sponsor and topic; required student project in Community Health or Policy; attend seminars in Community Medicine and Health Policy; present Year II RSP on Medical Student Research Day.

Year III: Family Medicine Clerkship in a community clinic or similar setting.

Year IV: Students will choose either 1) elective clerkship in a public or private community health center or Indian Health Service or other similar safety net provider, or 2) elective clerkship in Health Care Policy and Economics.

Advanced degree option: Pursue an advanced degree in an area of interest.

Please check one:

____ Academic Medicine

____ Clinical Specialist

____ Community Health

Student's Name _____ Email address _____

MDL# _____ Student Signature _____ Date _____

Please return to Julie Kim, McKibben 144 by Friday, January 18, 2008.