Clerkship Title: DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY
Location: LAC+USC Medical Center
Credit Level: Selective C or Elective

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Length of time: 3-4 weeks
Dates offered: Throughout the year
   for 3rd and 4th year students
Number of students: 10
Visiting students from other US medical schools? Yes
Prerequisites: None

Place and time to report on first day: GNH 3550, 8:00 a.m

Textbooks/Availability:
8. *Exercises in Diagnostic Radiology*, WB Saunders (a series of little books)

Learning Objectives – At the conclusion of the clerkship the student should be able to:
1. Goals: The goal is to provide third and fourth year medical students with a sufficient background in radiologic procedures and interpretation to assist them in their clinical rotations. Familiarity with the Department of Radiology, the PACS system, and the file system, as well as knowing how to use the radiologist as a consultant, and the proper ordering of
radiographic studies. Knowledge of the technical aspects of the procedures will allow the student to better counsel his patients.

2. Objectives:
   a. A basic understanding of radiology, the tests available, their indication and their limitations.
   b. A basic ability to evaluate chest, abdomen and trauma films.

Course Description:
Instructional methods: 50% attending rounds/ small group discussion
20% lectures
30% independent study

Supervision: 80% faculty
20% residents

Skills Taught:
1. Critical thinking:
   a. One-on-one with staff and residents during readout sessions and during twice daily conferences.
2. Review of medical literature for clinical problem solving:
   a. One journal review from a Radiology journal will be required.
3. Technical/procedural skills:
   a. Special interests in angiography may be arranged with the Interventional Department during the radiology rotation.

Student Performance/Assessment:
1. How will students be informed of expectations and methods of evaluation?
   a. They will be informed the first day of their rotation and given a schedule to include daily assignments, readouts and conferences. They will be given a practical exam on their final day.
2. How will students be evaluated on their performance and who will write the evaluation?
   a. The USC Medical Evaluation form will be filled out by Dr. Forrester upon completion of the rotation and the final exam.
3. How will students be given feedback on their performance?
   a. During the one on one readout sessions twice a week with Dr. Forrester.