

## VCU Senior Elective Catalogue

<b>Family Medicine Inpatient Ward AI at Inova-Fairfax Family Practice-Inova (MEDI-45014)</b>			
<b>Preceptor:</b>	Dr. Margie Hermes	<b>Phone #:</b>	703-391-2020
<b>Department:</b>	Family Medicine	<b>Max Enrollment:</b>	1
<b>Time Period(s):</b>	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10	<b>Time:</b>	
<b>Location:</b>	Fairfax, Virginia		

### Objectives and Evaluation

Contact Dr. Margie Hermes about this elective at 703-391-2020 or email at mhermes@ffpcs.com - Inova Campus Students have priority for this elective.

Hours per Week: 80 hrs/week  
 Lectures/Seminars: Yes  
 Outpatient: Yes  
 Night Call: Yes  
 Weekends: Yes  
 Exam required: No

#### Description/Objectives:

The Family Medicine Inpatient rotation Acting Internship in Family Medicine in Fairfax, VA is designed to engage fourth-year medical students in learning a high level of responsibility for primary, inpatient care from a unique Family Medicine approach and understand the family physician's role in the hospital setting. Other opportunities for student learning may include: assisting with or performing, under supervision, simple procedures; participating in the evaluation of emergency patients under the supervision of the emergency medical attending, as these areas relate to family medicine training; participating in the ambulatory follow-up of recently discharged patients; and observing and assisting with surgical procedures required by the attending's assigned patients.

#### Specific responsibilities will include:

- Initial patient evaluations including complete history and physical exam.  
The student will be expected to be able to begin development of diagnostic and treatment plans in conjunction with the supervising physician.
- Contribution to the ongoing management of patients. This will include data collection, reassessment of patient progress and participation in the operative management of assigned patients.
- Documentation, through the medical record, of the patient's course. For inpatient, this will require daily entries that document the patient's condition, newly acquired data, and formulation of a plan for the day's management.
- Participation in daily rounds with the management team, assuming primary responsibility for data assimilation and presentations for patients assigned to their care.
- Participation in the discharge planning process for inpatients.
- Participation in scheduled team and departmental academic conferences.  
This will include case presentations and current literature reviews.

The Medical Services are organized as a "team" format. Patient care duties will be assigned to the AI student directly overseen by the team leader and the appropriate attending. The AI student will be responsible for taking nighttime calls on a rotating basis.

Students assigned to this elective will be evaluated based upon the following aspects of performance:

- Patient Care
- Participation in team rounds
- Conference participation and presentations
- Ability to work effectively as an integral member of the healthcare team

Recommended Sources: Sloane, P.D., Slatt, L.M., Ebell, M.H., Jacques, L.B., 2002. Essentials of Family Medicine. 4th Edition. PA: Lipincott Williams & Wilkins.

**Special Instructions/Additional Information**

Call Carol Lauffenburger at 703-391-2020 for more information or to register for this elective.