

MS3's: Requires course director's signature on course preference form.

<b>Faculty In Charge Of Course:</b>	Michaela Onstad, M.D.
<b>Participating Faculty:</b>	Dr. Kathleen Schmeler, Dr. Alejandro Rauh-Hain
<b>Location:</b>	LBJ Hospital
<b>Offered:</b>	Each period <b>except</b> Blocks 9 and 12
<b>Max. # Students/Period:</b>	1
<b>Requirements:</b>	The student will have to be approved for the course.

**Course Objective**

**Material Covered:**

This elective will provide a thorough introduction to the basic principles of gynecologic oncology. Participants will become familiar with the principles and techniques of chemotherapy, radiotherapy, and surgery. This will be accomplished by direct participation in each of these areas of patient treatment. Participants' level of responsibility will be commensurate with their desire and experience. Flexibility to design a program tailored to the needs and goals of each participant will be allowed.

**Skills Acquired:**

Students will develop skills in the screening and diagnosis of gynecologic tumors (physical examination, colposcopy, and biopsy techniques. Students will be able to differentiate neoplastic (or treatment-related) alterations from normal findings. Students may also have the opportunity to perform other minor diagnostic or therapeutic procedures such as paracentesis and thoracentesis. They may also have an opportunity to develop some basic surgical skills.

**Activities Of Elective**

**Number Of New Patients/Student/Week:** 3

**Responsibilities Of Student For Assigned Patients:**

Does history/physical:	Yes
Who critiques:	Attending, fellow
Follows patients, with appropriate notes as needed:	Yes
Who supervises:	Attending, fellow and residents
Does student see ambulatory patients:	Yes

<b>Procedures</b>	<b>Observe</b>	<b>Perform</b>
Colposcopy	X	X
Biopsies from the lower genital tract	X	X
Assist in surgery	X	X

**Scheduled Duties of Student:**

Frequency of rounds on patients:	Twice daily
Presents patients to fellow or attending physician:	Yes
Weekly schedule of required teaching sessions:	Scheduled conferences at UTMS-Dept OB/GYN grand rounds

**Describe Optional Rounds And Activities, If Any:**

None

**Other Required Activities:**

Reading text of gynecologic oncology:	Yes
Reading text of colposcopy:	Yes
Reading/review of current literature:	Possibly
Writing or presenting:	Yes – 10 minute presentation required

**How Is Student Evaluated:**

Clinical performance

**Who Evaluates Students:**

Drs. Michaela Onstad, Kathleen Schmeler, Alejandro Rauh-Hain, nursing staff, MD Anderson Gyn-Onc fellow, and OB/GYN resident.

**Unique Features Of This Elective:**

Requires participation at LBJ sites and Harris Health.