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Location:	Dept of Dermatology, Houston Medical Center Bldg, 6655 Travis, Suite 700 (77030), MDACC, LBJ
Streams Offered:	All streams
Max. # Students/3-week Period:	1

Course Objective

Material Covered:

This third-year elective will provide an introduction to clinical dermatology. Students will be exposed to clinical dermatology concepts in the outpatient dermatology clinic and through inpatient dermatologic consultations. Students will also be exposed to dermatopathology and dermatologic surgery. Students will attend regularly scheduled didactic sessions.

Specific learning objectives for this third-year elective are as follows:

By the end of this elective, the student will be able to:

- Accurately describe, identify, diagnose, and treat common dermatology disorders
- Describe the role of dermatopathology and major and minor dermatologic procedures in the practice of dermatology
- Recognize when to obtain dermatologic consultation on dermatologic issues.

Students will attend outpatient dermatology clinics and gain exposure to outpatient dermatology, primarily through observation. Students will also have the opportunity to observe dermatology surgical procedures. Students will round on inpatient dermatologic consults with the dermatology residents and staff. Students will attend and participate in journal club, dermatology lectures, and any other didactic conferences that are relevant to the diagnosis or treatment of dermatologic disorders. Didactic conferences occur M-F 8-9 am and Thursday mornings (7:45 am – 1 pm). Students will be involved in clinical activities M-F from 9 am – 5 pm and will not take call.

Students will demonstrate attainment of the above objectives through attendance and participation in didactic conferences and attendance at clinical assignments and participation in clinical activities.

Activities Of Elective

Number Of New Patients/Student/Week: 140

Responsibilities Of Student For Assigned Patients:

Does history/physical:	Yes
Who critiques:	Attending and resident
Follows patients, with appropriate notes as needed:	Yes (consult service)
Who supervises:	Attending
Does student see ambulatory patients:	Yes

Procedures	Observe	Perform
Mohs micrographic surgery	Possibly	No
Excision of benign and malignant lesions	Yes	No
Punch and shave biopsy	Yes	Possibly
Cryotherapy	Yes	Possibly

Scheduled Duties of Student:

Frequency of rounds on patients	Daily
Presents patients to preceptor or attending physician	Yes
Weekly schedule of required teaching sessions	M-F, 8 am – 9 am and Thursday mornings (7:45 am – 1 pm).

Other Required Activities:

Reading/review of current literature	Yes
Writing or presenting a paper	No

How Is Student Evaluated:

This elective is pass/fail. Students will be evaluated by faculty based on their attendance and participation in didactic sessions and attendance at clinical assignments and participation in clinical activities. The students are evaluated based on the demonstration of their accomplishment of the objectives. Mid-rotation verbal feedback will be provided for all students.