UNIVERSIDAD DE LA SABANA - FACULTY OF MEDICINE

INTERNSHIP ROTATIONS

DESCRIPTION

This program is addressed to foreign students who wish to take their internships in the University’s clinic during their final year of study. Applications and the process of selection will be managed by the Faculty of Medicine.

The internship will raise the level of professional practice, and by the end of the year the student will be able to:

- define the state of health of an individual in all phases of life;
- encourage habits and customs among the community and with individuals to prevent health problems;
- detect and diagnose the most common diseases and conditions in each patient;
- initiate prompt and appropriate management of the most frequent health conditions;
- channel the evolution of each patient through a scheme of care of increasing complexity, including referrals to higher levels, and the appropriate indication of patient, his family, or people close to him, and the community in general;
- satisfactorily solve ethical dilemmas presented in medical practice;
- consolidate communications skills which will relate primarily with patients, but also with colleagues at work, superiors, and subordinates.

The central purpose of this internship program is to provide an opportunity for the student to consolidate knowledge acquired during his studies, through application in the development of skills and abilities proper to clinical practice in the main areas of health care, in the context of general practice, and family and community practice, which is the target of the Medicine program.

In the internship year, the student must become familiar with the handling of the commonest situations in basic clinical areas (surgery, gynecology and obstetrics, internal medicine, pediatrics); he must be able to recognize the most important semiological factors, resources for diagnosis and therapy available, the natural evolution and possible complications of each case, and mainly, to be able to apply knowledge acquired in a comprehensive manner, in the clinical area.
OBJECTIVES

- to put into practice skills in interviewing and preparing a clinical history, making good use of the necessary semiological points to make a correct physical evaluation, and draw up an acceptable diagnosis.

- to request and interpret complementary paraclinical examinations as may be sufficient and necessary in each case, and to integrate the information obtained with the main lines of clinical history and physical examination, as a complement to diagnosis.

- to develop criteria for initiating prompt and appropriate treatment, using the above bases, and available scientific evidence

- to develop skills for the detection of epidemiological problems, and encourage the proposal of solutions and consistent cost-effective strategies.

- to develop skills for handling the patient, taking account of his biological, psychological and social context.

- to develop abilities and skills in the use of specific procedures (diagnosis or therapy), where necessary.

- to determine levels of care required, and to set priorities for ambulatory patients, in-patients, or emergency cases, and proceed to provide timely and appropriate referrals in each case.

ROTATIONS

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REQUIREMENTS

1. The student must have completed at least half of their undergraduate program.
2. Proof of enrolment.
3. Transcript of records, including GPA.
4. CV and personal statement, specifying the area, goals, and length of the rotation.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Please send the above mentioned documents to juandr@clinicaunisabana.edu.co or to lina.canon@unisabana.edu.co, at least six months before the start of the rotation.

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