General Information about the UNC Department of Emergency Medicine 4th Year Medical Student Rotation

The Fourth Year Medical Student rotation at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is four weeks in duration. The rotation is divided between UNC Department of Emergency Medicine and Wake Medical Center Department of Emergency Services. Two weeks are spent at each location. (Wake Medical Center is located in Raleigh, about 30 miles from Chapel Hill.) Orientation is scheduled the first day of each rotation at UNC. Reviewed at orientation are requirements for successful completion of the rotation, documentation standards, a tour of UNC’s Emergency Department, and other information pertinent to UNC Emergency Medicine and Wake Emergency Services.

Students are scheduled in the Emergency Department for 13, 9-hour shifts divided between UNC and Wake Medical Center. Each UNC shift lasts 9 hours beginning at 7 a.m., 10am, 3 p.m. or 6 p.m. While rotating at Wake, students will be scheduled for shifts beginning at 7:00am-4:30pm, 1:00pm-10:00pm, or 4:30-1:00am. Student ER schedules for UNC and Wake are distributed at least one week prior to the beginning of the rotation.

In addition to clinical requirements, students are required to attend emergency medicine resident conferences held Wednesday mornings. Other requirements include attendance at a monthly medical student simulation lab. Pertinent reading materials are provided. Grades are based on faculty evaluations, attendance/participation at conferences, workshops and an online exam.

Requirements

In order to apply, students must be from a school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME). To find out if your medical school is LCME accredited, you may go to website http://www.lcme.org/. Students should apply through the Visiting Student Application Service (VSAS) https://www.aamc.org/students/medstudents/vsas/ and include the following six (6) items:

1. Medical School Transcript showing a minimum of Average/Pass for all coursework during years one and two (or Basic Sciences) and during year three (including at least one grade equivalent to “Honors” in year 3).
2. USMLE Part One Board Score
3. Current Curriculum Vitae
4. A Letter of Recommendation, preferably from an Emergency Medicine faculty member.
5. Letter stating which rotation dates are requested in preferred order. (See rotation dates below.) Included in the letter please state your interest in Emergency Medicine at UNC and if you are interested in being considered for the EM Residency Program.

Please contact the UNC Emergency Department Medical Student Coordinator, Kari Corker for questions. e-mail: Kari_Corker@med.unc.edu phone: 919-843-8067

Once these items are received, they are reviewed by Dr. Jonathan Jones, Director of Education. The applicant is informed of acceptance as soon as a decision is made. If the applicant is approved for a rotation, he or she must contact Dustin Norris in UNC’s Student Affairs office, 919-843-7095 or Dustin_Norris@med.unc.edu as soon as possible for an application to the Medical School (this includes in-state applicants). Out-of-State applicants are required to pay a $50 application fee to the School of Medicine. Applications will be accepted between April 1, 2016 and January 1, 2017.

Rotation Dates for Academic Year 2016 – 2017

Block 5: July 25 – August 19, 2016
Block 6: August 22 - Sept. 16, 2016
Block 7: Sept. 19- October 14, 2016
Block 8: October 17 – November 11, 2016
Block 9: November 14 – December 9, 2016
Block 10: January 3- January 27, 2017