This course is available to UC Irvine students only

Course Description: The Geriatrics Section comprises a geriatric evaluation and management (GEM) clinic, as well as a 95 bed nursing home Community Living Center and fifteen of the 95 beds are hospice beds. The patients on these wards are mostly over 65 years of age with long-term “acute” or chronic diseases. There is varied and multisystem pathology, some of it age related. A multi-disciplinary approach to management is emphasized (neurology, rehabilitation, dermatology, nutrition, social, etc.). The CLC also provides in-patient hospice care and terminally ill veterans. Full-time staff (M.D.’s and Nurse Practitioners) are responsible for the daily care.

Department: Internal Medicine

Prerequisites: UC Irvine students must have successfully completed the basic science curriculum.

Restrictions: Students must enroll at least 30 days in advance.

Elective Director: Max Kashyap, M.D,

Instructing Faculty: Faculty from the department of Internal Medicine

Course Website: None

Who to Report to First Day: Check with Faye Johnson 562-826-8000 x 3294 Faye.Johnson2@va.gov to ensure you are cleared to rotate at the VA. then Contact site coordinator at least 4 weeks before the start of the rotation.

Location to Report on First Day: Check with Faye Johnson 562-826-8000 x 3294 Faye.Johnson2@va.gov to ensure you are cleared to rotate at the VA then Contact site coordinator at least 4 weeks before the start of the rotation.

Time to Report on First Day: Contact site coordinator

Site Coordinator: Contact site coordinator at least 4 weeks before the start of the rotation LeNisha Moon, Residency Coordinator, Medicine HCG/Internal Medicine VA Long Beach Medical Center, (562) 826-8000 ext 3832, lenisha.moon@va.gov

Site: LBVAMC

Periods Available: Throughout the year

Duration: 4-5 weeks

Number of Students: 1-3

Scheduling Coordinator: UC Irvine students please email comsched@uci.edu or call (714) 456-8462 to make a scheduling appointment.

Course Objectives: At the end of the elective the student will:

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Teach physiology and care of older patients. Expose students to diseases of elderly. Teach multidisciplinary care.

Key Topics:
- Neurology
- Rehabilitation
- Dermatology
- Nutrition

Competencies: Not stated

Attitudes and Commitments:
- Physiology and care of older patients
- Professionalism

Educational Activities:
- Inpatient acute medicine rounds are made three times weekly and last approximately two hours. These rounds are on General Medicine, and age related problems are included in the discussions.
- The outpatient clinic is a 60 home-based home care program (HBHC) which is part of the Geriatrics section; visits in the patient’s home are included in the training.
- A multidisciplinary team (M.D, R.N., social service, dietitian, and corrective therapist) meets twice weekly to discuss patient problems.

What Students Should do to Prepare for the Rotation:

Check with Faye Johnson 562-826-8000 x 3294 Faye.Johnson2@va.gov to ensure you are cleared to rotate at the VA.

Current VA ID Badge. If this is your first time coming to the VA, you probably don’t have the new VA ID badge. In order to get your new badge, you will need to contact the VA HR office, Mr. Ivan Aguilar at ivan.aguilar@va.gov to set up an appointment for your VA ID photo. The email to Ivan should be sent approximately 4 weeks prior to the start of your rotation. *If you have previously rotated at the VA, have them check your badge to assure they are not expired. If your badge is expired, you will need to follow the instructions above to get your renewal completed.

Make sure your TMS training is up to date. It is highly recommended that you bring your certificates of completion training if possible. If you are unsure if your training is current, you can check your TMS account at https://www.tms.va.gov/learning/user/login.jsp.

Contact site coordinator at least 4 weeks before the start of the rotation.

Clinical Responsibilities of the Student: See above

Patient Care Responsibilities: See above

Call Schedule of the Student: Not stated

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Procedures to be Learned by the Student: Not stated

Percentage of Time Student will Participate in Ambulatory Setting: Not stated

Conference/Lecture/Small Group Sessions: Not stated

Course Hours Weekly Summary: Not stated

Content Theme Integration:
- Nutrition
- Geriatrics

Recommended Reading:
- Health and Disease in Old Age, Rowe and Besdine, Publ. Little Brown.
- Geriatric Cardiology, by Coodley publ. PSC.

Official Grading Policy: The student will receive a grade of Honors, Pass or Fail. The student's final grade will be submitted on the standard UC Irvine elective form. The student will be evaluated by attendings and residents in the areas attendance, knowledge base, clinical skills, motivation, professionalism and interpersonal skills. The student will receive feedback from on an on-going basis. If the student fails the elective a grade of "F" will be permanently recorded on his/her transcript. The student can repeat the course for a second grade, however, the "F" will not be removed from the transcript.