The Flexible Clinical Experience (FCE)
SOM Clerkship Administrator Meeting
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AGENDA | Fall 2018

- **Review FCE Calendar**
  - Timeframe dates
  - FCE alignment to clerkship rotations
- **Scheduling Policy & Issues**
- **Our new FCE Course website**
- **New Stuff**
- **Frequently Asked Questions | review if time**
- **New Questions**
FCE Calendar

• 9 discrete one-week terms (or sections)
  – Spring break can/may be used for FCE week for extenuating circumstances & by special request
  — Winter break can/may be used for FCE week

• Approximately 50–75 students enrolled for each FE term
AY2018-2019 | Term Dates

4900 | Fall 2018
Block 1A | FE1 | June 4-8, 2018
Block 1B | FE2 | July 9-13, 2018
Block 1C | FE3 | July 16-20, 2018
Block 2A | FE4 | September 24-28, 2018
Block 2B | FE5 | October 1-5, 2018
Block 2C | FE6 | November 5-9, 2018

4901 | Spring 2019
Block 3A | FE7 | February 4-8, 2019
Block 3B | FE8 | March 11-15, 2019
Block 3C | FE9 | March 25-29, 2019
[FE-Spring Break | March 18-22, 2019]
Care of Adults | 2 FCE weeks

- **Medicine Clerkship Rotation**
  - [total 5 weeks]
  - 4 weeks clinical
  - 1 week FCE

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- **Neurology | Medicine 2 Rotation**
  - [total 5 weeks]
  - 5 weeks clinical
Perioperative and Maternal Care | 2 FCE weeks

Surgery Clerkship Rotation  
[total 5 weeks]

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OB GYN Rotation  
[total 5 weeks]

- 5 weeks clinical
Care of Families | no FCE weeks

- Pediatrics Clerkship Rotation [total 5 weeks]
  - 5 weeks clinical

- Family Medicine Clerkship Rotation [total 5 weeks]
  - 5 weeks clinical

- Psychiatry Clerkship Rotation [total 5 weeks]
  - 5 weeks clinical
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Scheduling & Policy Issues

- Last minute cancellations | faculty
- Last minute change requests | students
- Change request process irregularities
- Personnel “movement”
- Process changes
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We have a new look!

Flexible Clinical Experiences

Flexible Clinical Experience Course

... my favorite experiences in medical school. The attendings and the residents were excellent teachers. I saw amazing cases and always felt part of the team. Exposure to the field through this unique, wonderful group of people is what made me want to go into ... (UMMS ME2 student)

This course embodies the spirit of the new curriculum, by expanding the opportunity for individual exploration in a variety of clinical and translational science fields, early in the students' career. The program allows for self-directed learning by allowing students to either choose from a diverse offering of pre-designed electives or to design their own clinical experience. The advantages of early exposure to a medical specialty include the opportunity to foster mentorships, to nurture and develop interest in the specialty and to provide intrinsic motivation to pursue further learning in the chosen field(s). These electives may also help to explore a career choice.

In this multidisciplinary learning program, following a broad set of guidelines, students learn in a variety of methods depending on the elective experience they choose. Electives emphasize one-on-one interaction between student and teacher. Criteria for granting credit are elective-specific minimum standards of performance as laid down by sponsoring departments.
Particular Menu Items

• Anything under Home
  – Course Overview \ FCE Resources
• FCE AY1819 Course Descriptions
  – Student Designed AY1819
• AY1819 Open Slots
• Proposal Forms \ Specialty Faculty
• FAQs \ FAQ | Support Personnel
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New “Stuff” | New Naming Convention

• Departments now included in catalog prefix
  – Eg: FCE 321 | Anesthesiology: Acute Pain
  – *Is now*: FCE AN 321 | Anesthesiology: Acute Pain
• FCE numbering within departments
  – EG: New Anesthesiology FCEs will begin new numbering with AN 300 rather than using the next available number (eg, 3062)
  – Possible to have 23 “300” FCEs; each with its department prefix
    • EG: AN 300 | Anesthesiology; EM 300 | Emergency Medicine; etc
• Student-Design FCE titles | Interdepartmental or Clinical
  – XX 3005 | Student Designed Research
  – XX 3006 | Student Designed Medical Educ
  – AN 3007 | Student Designed Anesthesiolog (sic)
  – XX 3008 | Student Design Med Leadership
  – XX 3009 | Stud Design Community Service
Questions?
Thank you!