

Combined Third and Fourth Year Overview

The second two years of the curriculum comprise the final twenty-five months and consist of core clerkships. <http://www.omed.pitt.edu/curriculum/ms-3.php> selectives (required experiences) and electives. Wherever possible, the scheduling goal should be to broaden and deepen experiences in varied areas of medicine; increase independent learning; and gain confidence as a responsible member of the health care team. This time is one-half of the formal undergraduate medical education.

Course Requirements:

- Core Clerkships must be completed within the first 18 months. Refer to the Curriculum Map: <http://www.omed.pitt.edu/curriculum/overview.php>
- Successful completion of a four week acting internship (AI) in Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics or Surgery;
- Successful completion of a four week Integrated Life Science (ILS) selective
- Eligibility for elective scheduling is dependent upon meeting the prerequisites as published in the course catalog: <http://www.medschool.pitt.edu/sa/catalog/introduction.taf>
- Electives must be taken in a four-week block per course; in accordance with the academic year calendar. http://omed.pitt.edu/documents/CombinedClinicalCalendar_Classof2011_finalrev_000.pdf. Two months of non-clinical time is available, primarily for the interview process of the fourth year.

Options:

- Two elective months may be scheduled for dedicated work on the Scholarly Project;
- A maximum of two months of research, exclusive of the Scholarly Project;
- A maximum of three extramural (away) elective periods.