

Visiting Students Application Process

UC Davis School of Medicine welcomes eligible fourth year visiting medical students' participation in our fourth-year electives as space permits. We work closely with visiting students to optimize educational opportunities for students in the final stages of their medical school training. This site is designed to provide you with in-depth information regarding eligibility requirements and clinical opportunities.

1. Eligibility/Enrollment

- **We do not accept visiting students for any required/core clerkships.**
- **We do not accept** international students for clinical experiences.
- All visiting clinical elective experiences must be coordinated through the Visiting Medical Student Program. **Please do not contact -faculty or administrative staff directly** to attempt to arrange clinical or research experiences.
- Admission into the Visiting Student Program does not constitute admission or matriculation into UC Davis School of Medicine.
- Visiting medical students must have completed courses comparable to the UC Davis School of Medicine third year curriculum.
- Any expenses required for disability accommodation of a visiting student must be borne by the student's home institution.

2. Selection Process

Applications for fourth year electives are considered on a very limited basis. There are several factors that our school considers in accepting visiting students, including but not limited to:

- Space considerations and whether a school or department has the capacity to accommodate additional students.
- Institutional reciprocity (i.e., whether the application is from a student attending a medical school where there are also opportunities for UC students to pursue elective opportunities students) .
- Institutional training agreements that may involve broader institutional partnerships with your school.
- Pass grade certificate - either of the following, USMLE Step 1 & 2, Comlex; numerical 3-digit scale will be helpful.

3. Process and Fees

- Each department determines whether they will be able to accommodate visiting students and what criteria will be used to accept students into an externship. You may be asked to provide additional information such as: transcripts, USMLE

Step 1 & 2 scores, a current CV, etc. Visiting students may take up to 8 weeks of electives at UC Davis School of Medicine.

- UCD SOM basic requirements for visiting students include Good academic standing. Valid ACLS or BLS training, malpractice (please check Office of Medical Education, Registrar's Office & AAMC/VSLO for current fee that applies), personal health insurance, all required immunization/vaccination records (note: some of these requirements must be fulfilled within 90 days of the elective start date), HIPAA training and passing of the USMLE Step 1 & 2 or COMLEX.

- **Application Process:**

Students should visit the AAMC's Visiting Student Application Service and complete an application as their first step. Students will be contacted by the Department they have applied to should more information be needed. (USMLE Step 1 and Step 2 scores (showing 3-digit scale) Transcripts, CV, Letter of Recommendation, Letter of Intent, etc.

- **Processing Fees:**

Visiting medical students pay (please check AAMC/VSLO for current fees) per elective. All applicants accepting an offer at UCD SOM must go online and submit their elective processing fee within 48 hours of accepting the offer. Since a visiting student accepting an offer will keep the position from other interested candidates, UCD SOM does not refund the fees. The fees are only refunded if a department has to cancel the elective.