

General Surgery Elective

SUR 619

Prerequisite: Fourth year medical students who have successfully completed their Junior Surgery clerkship.

Objectives:

- Understand the approach to the preoperative and postoperative management of the surgical patient.
- Increase understanding of the pathophysiology of surgical disease.
- Increase understanding of ambulatory surgical care.

This elective is designed to familiarize the student with a broad range of surgery including trauma, nutrition, critical care, GI, endocrine, breast, oncology and vascular procedures. The pathophysiology, preoperative evaluation and postoperative management of problems is stressed. Every attempt will be made to allow the student to follow the patient from admission to discharge and take an active role in the care and management of assigned patients.