

# General Surgery MSSP

## Program Overview

This MSSP offers highly motivated students a longitudinal opportunity to explore General Surgery. It includes clinical exposure, mentorship, and summer research with presentation and/or publication. Participants work toward earning a 'Distinction in Surgery' by graduation.

## Program Goals

- Early and continuous exposure to General Surgery
- Engage in meaningful summer research projects
- Develop scholarly work for presentation or publication
- Establish strong mentoring relationships
- Explore leadership and service in surgical education

## Year-by-Year Structure

### **\*\*Year 1\*\***

- 2 activities/month avg. over 6 months (shadowing, didactic, SIG, service, etc.)
- Assigned mentor; meet at least once

### **\*\*Summer Research\*\***

- Participate in CROSS, CREST, or CRIT research programs
- Basic/translational: \$2000 + \$1000 travel; Clinical/educational: \$3000 stipend

### **\*\*Year 2\*\***

- Continue with 2 activities/month avg. over 6 months
- Meet with mentor at least twice

### **\*\*Year 3\*\***

- Priority access to 2-week General Surgery specialty elective
- Meet mentor at least twice to review research and plan for M4/residency

### **\*\*Year 4\*\***

- Priority access to another 2-week elective
- Meet mentor at least twice to finalize scholarly work and residency preparation

## Program Details

Course Director: Dr. Tammy M. Holm, MD, PhD

Coordinator: Nikki Norman

Students Accepted Per Year: 5

Summer Research Stipend: \$3,000 (basic research includes \$1,000 travel stipend)

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