Internal Medicine Clerkship - 8 weeks

During the 8 week Internal Medicine Clerkship the students will be expected to spend four week on an internal medicine hospital ward rotation (inpatient) and four weeks on an ambulatory (outpatient) setting, both under the direct supervision of an internist. The following clinical conditions will be expected to be seen by the students and they will be expected to analyze these conditions using the schemes and process worksheets studied in Phase A. Participation in the patient's history, physical exam, differential diagnosis and therapeutic plan will be expected for the core clinical conditions listed:

- Acute MI
- Altered mental status
- Anemia
- Back pain
- Congestive heart failure
- Cancers
- Cough
- COPD/asthma
- CVA
- Depression
- Diabetes mellitus
- DVT
- Scrotal mass/pain (may be encountered during internal medicine, pediatric, surgery or emergency medicine clerkships)

- Dyslipidemia
- Dyspnea
- Dysuria/UTI
- Fever
- Fluids, electrolytes
- GI bleed
- HIV
- HTN
- Joint pain
- Liver disease
- Nosocomial infections

- Obesity
- Osteoporosis
- Pneumonia
- Preventive care
- Rash
- Renal failure
- Rheumatologic problems
- Smoking cessation
- Substance abuse
- Thyroid/parathyroid
- Weight loss
- Sexual dysfunction (may be encountered during OB/GYN or Family Medicine Clerkships)

Students will also be expected to successfully complete the following procedures:

- Airway Management (observe/participate, may be completed during surgery, OB/GYN, or emergency medicine clerkship)
- CPR/ET tube placement (mastery, may be completed during surgery clerkship)
- Arterial blood gas (observe, may be completed during surgery clerkship)
- EKG placement and interpretation (mastery)
- Abdominal Ultrasound (observe/participate, may be completed during surgery or OB/GYN clerkships)

- Fingerstick glucose (mastery, may be completed during Family Medicine clerkship)
- Foley catheter placement (mastery, may be completed during emergency medicine or surgery clerkship)
- Nasogastric tube placement (mastery, may be completed during surgery clerkship)
- Peripheral I.V. placement (mastery, may be completed during any clerkship)
- Rectal exam (participate, may be completed during surgery, OB/GYN, or emergency medicine clerkships)
- Venipuncture (participate/mastery, may be completed during any clerkship)