

OPHTH 7595: Introduction to Clinical Ophthalmology

Credit Hours: 2

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Course Information

Brief Description of Course

This course is intended to provide students with a broad overview of Ophthalmology and its subspecialties. Students will learn basic knowledge and skill development in the areas of history taking, physical examination, clinical reasoning, and procedures. It also includes foundational pathophysiology and pharmacology for core diagnoses and presentations of the specialty.

Course Goals

As a result of successfully completing this course:

1. Students will be able to perform basic ophthalmology examinations, including visual acuity, confrontation fields, pupillary exam, extraocular motility, and intraocular pressure. In addition, students should have a basic mastery of the slit lamp and have learned basic indirect ophthalmoscopy and condensing lens examinations.
2. Students will be able to be proficient in basic diagnosing and management of common ophthalmic conditions.
3. Students will be able to perform a bedside consultation examination needed to properly take Call for ophthalmic consultation.

Course Format and Schedule

Timeline

The *Intro to Clinical Ophthalmology* course is 10 days in duration (Saturday/Sunday excluded).

Schedule

Students will work with multiple different full-time ophthalmology faculty members in a variety of subspecialties. The course coordinator will create and email individual schedules to students the week prior to the start date.

Students may request placement with specific physician(s) and/or subspecialties by emailing the course coordinator. All requests must be received a minimum of 2-weeks before the course start date. Requests will be accommodated based on availability. A full list of ophthalmology providers can be found at: <https://healthcare.utah.edu/moran/>

Scheduled locations are based on provider. A full list of satellite clinic locations can be found at: <https://healthcare.utah.edu/moran/locations>

Assessments and Grading System

Preceptor Evaluations

Evaluations will be coordinated by the ophthalmology course coordinator and completed by faculty members on rotation with the medical student. Evaluations will be submitted electronically to Student Affairs with a copy kept on file by the ophthalmology academic office.

Grading System

Students will receive a final letter grade of PASS (P) or FAIL (F) for this course. Please note there is no grade percentage given for this course.

PASS: Students who achieve the criteria will be assigned a grade of PASS for this course.

FAIL: Students who do not achieve the criteria for PASS, will be assigned a grade of FAIL for this course.

Standard Policies

Please refer to the Student Handbook (on the Student Affairs website) for these policies:

Accommodations

Grading System

Grade or Score Appeal

Medical Student Code of Ethics

Mistreatment

OEO Contact Information

Standards of Conduct

Student Attendance and Expectations

Technical Standards

Center for Disability & Access

The School of Medicine seeks to provide equal access to its programs, services and activities for all medical students. The Center for Disability and Access (CDA) provides accommodations and support for the educational development of medical students with disabilities. Medical students with a documented disability, and students seeking to establish the existence of a disability, that would like to request accommodations are required to meet with the CDA to establish accommodations. The CDA will work closely with eligible students and the Academic Success Program to make arrangements for approved accommodations. The School of Medicine and CDA maintain a collegial, cooperative, and collaborative relationship to ensure compliance with federal and state regulations for students with disabilities.

Steven Baumann EdD, School of Medicine Senior Director of Academic Success Program, serves as the liaison between the School Of Medicine and the CDA.

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Safety Statement

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