General Information for all Students about Diagnostic Radiology

Radiology 4.001 is a very comprehensive presentation of all facets of diagnostic radiology. It is strongly recommended that all medical students who are contemplating specialties in which they will request radiographic/CT/US/MS/MRI studies take this elective. This elective is not focused on the future radiologist, but rather it is designed for the future physician.

General Information for Students Planning a Residency in Diagnostic Radiology

Students contemplating residencies in Diagnostic Radiology (Imaging) must have a sound basis of anatomic, pathologic, and physiologic knowledge.

In planning your fourth-year schedules you should include clinical rotations in which diagnostic radiology plays an important role; i.e., internal medicine, surgery, orthopaedics, neurology/neurosurgery, pediatrics, emergency medicine, intensive care, etc.

If a student is contemplating a residency in radiology, the radiology elective should give the student some first-hand knowledge of the responsibilities, opportunities, and characteristics of the specialty of radiology. Your radiology elective should be taken very early in the senior year so you can get a letter of recommendation prior to November 1.

If the student has the qualifications to be considered for the most selective Radiology residency programs, an elective in radiology at that institution may enhance the candidate's application.

Come to the monthly “FRA - Future Radiologists of America” meetings (flyers posted throughout the Medical School tell where and when) and listen to speakers talk about this specialty.

Additional Elective Topics

In addition to the departmental elective offerings described on the following pages, students may pursue other interests with faculty by arranging ad hoc electives or Special Projects according to the procedure outlined at the beginning of this book. Some potential elective topics and the faculty contacts are listed below. To explore other possibilities, please contact the departmental education receptionist.