

Online Electives - answers to FAQs (MS3) – [March 27, 2020 at 23:36]

Hi All,

Thank you all for your patience as we rapidly implement these new curricular options. Also a big thank you to Dr. Thom who fielded a bunch of questions that popped up. I wanted to send a quick email that recapped the answers to a bunch of those questions.

Answers to FAQs:

Please do NOT add/drop any courses at this time. Educational leadership and administration will take care of all necessary changes for dropping current courses (including clerkships, sub-Is, and electives). Once all of these changes are complete, we will send out a class-wide communication for you to check your schedules.

The online electives are unique electives, if you sign up for one of these, you can still take the (similar) in person elective when clinical rotations resume.

The online electives will be graded as Pass/Fail with significant emphasis on participation. The IM and Surgery clerkships will be on pause as of Friday, with hopes to resume when clinical rotations resume (NBME shelf will happen at the end of those clinical rotations for IM and Surgery).

If you were scheduled to finish OB/Gyn, Pediatrics, Neurology, Psychiatry or Family Medicine on Friday – keep studying for the NBME shelf examination – we will let you know when we have approval to administer remote access testing – coming soon. The online elective directors will be informed of this requirement.

The Public Health elective is one that already exists and the description is in course catalog. There is very limited capacity for this elective and work will be remote with the Department of Health working on aspects of COVID planning in community (e.g. assessing childcare needs for essential providers).

Peds telehealth does not have live telehealth visits with patients. The faculty member will utilize details from actual cases for the educational sessions.

The research elective should only be ranked highly if you have an established project with a mentor.

These non-clinical electives will not count for the Internal Medicine graduation requirement.

Bye for now! Feel free to contact me with any additional questions!

Best,
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