

INTERNAL MEDICINE

Course name: 3rd Year Internal Medicine Wards

Location: LSUHSC Internal Medicine at Ochsner University Hospital and Clinics, Lafayette, LA

The third year Internal Medicine Wards rotation consists of a four-week inpatient ward services at Ochsner University Hospital and Clinics and didactic curriculum that teaches students the foundational principles of internal medicine. Students are assigned as an integral member of the team. Students participate in the important educational activities of the department during their clerkship, including Morning Report, Grand Rounds, Case Conferences, and Morbidity and Mortality Conferences. Numerous dedicated members of our teaching faculty attend these conferences to provide focused teaching. Additional clerkship-specific didactic activities include a comprehensive interactive core curriculum designed to cover important general medicine topics and small group didactic sessions that emphasize patient presentations, physical examination findings, chest radiography, and electrocardiography. Students are assessed a final grade at the conclusion of the rotation based on their performance on clinical rotations, assigned modules, and national shelf exam.

The goal of the faculty of the Department of Medicine is to assist the students to become proficient in the clinical method for the management of patients. A secondary goal is to add to the knowledge base of the student, although it is recognized that teaching all aspects of Internal Medicine in a 4 week is impossible.