

Dear Medical Student:

This is an application package for a 4-week Radiology rotation at Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital. You **MUST** be in your fourth year of medical school as of the rotation dates you request. **The very first thing you must do is fill out the application form and email or fax back to me as soon as possible.** The Program Director must review and approve every application. Do not contact your medical school for documentation until you are informed that your application has been approved.

In choosing desired rotation dates, please note that our rotations may begin on any Monday (subject to availability) and end on Friday of the fourth week. You must indicate both first and second choice rotation dates.

It is essential that you read ALL of the information provided in this application packet. If you have any questions, please contact me via email. No phone calls please.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Stoddard
Externship Coordinator
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Radiology Education**

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Diagnostic Radiology Externship Application

Name _____ Cell # _____

Mailing Address _____

Email Address _____ Birth Date _____

Premedical Education _____

Medical School _____

Expected Month & Year of Graduation _____

Social Security Number _____

USMLE or COMLEX Part 1 Score _____

Planned Career Specialty (Radiology, IM, etc.) _____

Please tell us briefly why you would like to rotate at Cottage Hospital: _____

Rotation Dates Desired: Start _____ Finish _____

Alternate Dates: Start _____ Finish _____
(Required)

WE REQUIRE A LETTER FROM YOUR MEDICAL SCHOOL THAT PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING: 1) verification that this externship is an approved rotation; 2) verification that you are currently a fourth year medical student in good standing; and 3) evidence of liability insurance coverage by the medical school for students doing outside rotations. **None of this should be sent prior to being approved for a rotation.**

Do you require housing? _____

If yes, are you male or female? _____

Date: _____ Signature: _____
(Signature not required if submitting application electronically)

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Course Description

Diagnostic Radiology Elective

Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital

The student will observe all facets of diagnostic radiology including reading of films, fluoroscopy, CT scanning, ultrasound and special procedures. Magnetic resonance imaging and nuclear medicine may be included if desired. One-to-one supervision is the rule. The radiology residency program director, Bernard Chow, M.D., generally takes responsibility for seeing that the extern gets exposure to areas of their interest. Teaching file cases are available for study and lectures are offered.

Program Director Bernard Chow, M.D. and twelve other active staff radiologists supervise the Department of Radiology. The student is usually assigned to one or two resident physicians who personally supervise basic radiological readings and include the students in the resident teaching sessions and radiology conferences.

This rotation is expected to be only an introduction to radiology. The student can observe the practice of community medicine, follow workups, see a good cross-section of pathology and get individual attention. Dr. Chow or his designate will evaluate each student at the end of their rotation.

In order to achieve Honors as an overall/final grade, the student is required to complete one written case report and one oral presentation on a topic of interest. Further information on the report and presentation will be provided by the Radiology Residency Coordinator at the beginning of the rotation.

EXTERNSHIPS

SANTA BARBARA COTTAGE HOSPITAL

Santa Barbara, California

Externships for fourth year medical students are offered in the following areas:

1. Internal Medicine
2. Diagnostic Radiology
3. General Surgery

There are no sub-specialty rotations offered. The rotations are four weeks in length. A rotation may start on any Monday and end on Friday of the fourth week. Externships are available at any time of the year and applications should be made at least four months in advance. Due to the individualized attention afforded each and every student, we accept only a limited number of fourth year students at any one time.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Completion of three years of medical school education, including at least one year of clinical experience prior to the time of appointment, at an accredited U.S. medical school.
2. A letter of recommendation from the Dean of the medical school which must include wording regarding extern's good academic standing and the school's recognition of the externship as an approved part of training. **This letter must also provide evidence of malpractice insurance coverage by the medical school.**
3. Proof of current flu shot and current TB test results.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Externs in Diagnostic Radiology will participate in the usual teaching activities and clinical care offered by the Radiology Department. Radiology externs are required to wear their white lab coats during the rotation. In order to achieve Honors as an overall/final grade, the extern is required to complete one written case report and one oral presentation on a topic of interest. Further information on the report and presentation will be provided by the Radiology Residency Coordinator at the beginning of the rotation.

HOUSING

Housing (if available) is free-of-charge in a hospital-owned apartment complex located one short block (easy walking distance) from the hospital. It is not necessary to have a car while rotating here. The one bedroom apartments are fully furnished, including the kitchen, and are cleaned on a weekly basis (this includes fresh linen and towels). There is one bedroom and a second bed located in the living room. There is no television or wi-fi computer access provided in the apartments. Wireless access is available within the hospital. Please be aware that housing is usually shared with other externs. Accordingly, no family, friends or pets are permitted to stay in extern housing. Also, there is a strict no smoking policy enforced in the student apartments. Because housing units are very limited, they are reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis. Housing can only be guaranteed once all paperwork is received from the student's medical school **AND** the student has signed and returned the Externship Agreement.

RESOURCES

There is an excellent Medical Library with free copying and computer privileges for residents and students. Wi-fi access is available in the library and well as throughout the hospital.

EVALUATION

Performance reports will be submitted to the Dean of the extern's medical school following completion of the externship. In order for Radiology externs to achieve Honors as an overall/final grade, the extern must do one presentation during the rotation.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information or to request an application, please contact:

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