



**The George Washington University
Office of International Medicine Programs**

International Medical Scholars Pre-Residency Program

Program Overview:

The International Medical Scholars Pre-residency Program (IMSP) is a program offered through the Office of International Medicine Programs at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. The goals of this program are to provide international medical graduates with the skills, knowledge, and tools they need to successfully pass the USMLE with high scores, and to prepare them through one-on-one mentorship and counseling for placement into accredited US residency training programs

International medical graduates will have the opportunity to participate in the following educational programs:

- Observership in various clinical departments at GW and affiliated hospitals
- Simulation Skills Lab
- Research Projects & Joint Publications
- Acculturation and English Proficiency Programs
- Individual Career Counseling and Development
- Technical skills training programs and workshops (i.e. library, database, presentation skills, etc.)

Positions are available in the following departments:

- Anesthesiology
- Emergency Medicine
- Medicine and its sub-specialties: Cardiology; Internal medicine; Geriatrics; Endocrinology; Pulmonary; Rheumatology; Infectious diseases; Gastroenterology; and Nephrology
- Neurology
- Ob/Gyn
- Pathology
- Pediatrics
- Surgery
- Urology

Selection Criteria:

- MD, MBBS or foreign equivalent degree
- Pass USMLE 1 with a minimum score of 90
- Strong academic records
- Two letters of recommendation
- Curriculum Vitae
- Personal statement
- Sponsorship letter

Outcomes:

At the end of IMSP, the scholars will be equipped with the following to help them compete for a US residency position:

- Certificate of completion from the GWU School of Medicine and Health Sciences
- Letters of recommendation from GW faculty
- A strong understanding of US Health System and patient care delivery methods
- Enhanced clinical knowledge
- Stronger clinical skills
- Improved English proficiency and comprehension
- Potential publications
- Improved presentation and public speaking skills
- Competitive credentials for US residency programs

Length of Program:

The IMSP will start on a mutually-agreeable date between the scholar and IMP in coordination with the clinical department faculty. The duration of this Program is 4, 6, or 9 months depending on the applicant's goals and capabilities.

Other Opportunities:

International Medical Scholars may elect to pursue certification courses (i.e. BLS, PALS, ACLS, etc.), coursework or degree programs [i.e. Masters of Public Health (MPH)] or other health services administration (MHSA) at the GWU School of Public Health; however, any outside coursework would be paid for directly by either the Medical Scholar or the sponsor.

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