

**DEPARTMENT OF OBSTETRICS, GYNECOLOGY &
REPRODUCTIVE SCIENCES**

TITLE: Gynecology/Oncology
COURSE CODE: 109
PREREQUISITE: Core Ob/Gyn Clerkship
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DESCRIPTION:

The purpose of the oncology elective is to enhance the student's knowledge of the diagnosis and management of women with gynecologic malignancies. The elective is offered to one student at a time for four weeks. The student is exposed to all modalities of treatment for gynecologic malignancies including radical gynecological surgery, chemotherapy, and radiation therapy. The student is expected to be an integral part of the team in the management of the patients admitted to the service. The student admits patients and takes part in their care throughout the elective period. The student is assigned to the operating room, especially to assist the patient whom he or she has evaluated. In addition to operating room exposure, extensive experience is gained in the post-operative management of these patients. The student attends one-day surgical procedures to observe the placement of brachytherapy and other procedures, e.g., cystoscopy, proctoscopy examination under anesthesia with biopsy. In the ambulatory setting, the student is exposed to the gestational trophoblastic disease clinic and the colposcopy clinic. On a weekly basis, students will attend divisional teaching sessions as well as the multi-discipline tumor conference. There is no Night Call on this elective. The recommended text for this elective is *Clinical Gynecologic Oncology* (DiSaia)

KEY STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

1) FACULTY MENTOR:

The student is responsible to contact and arrange a meeting with Dr. Thomas Rutherford during the first week of the rotation for a brief meeting.

2) PATIENT ROUNDS 6:00AM – 8th Floor West Pavilion

3) MORNING ROUNDS – 7:00 AM – Monday/Wednesday/Friday.

Student will start each day by rounding on the patients assigned to the student by the ONCO Fellow. Also present those patients at Morning Rounds. Join the ONCO team and actively participate in their work following rounds. Inpatient service is the first priority of the student.

4) OPERATING ROOM

Attending and assisting in all surgeries is a priority of the student and assignments are made by the ONCO Fellow.

5) GESTATIONAL TROPHOBLASTIC DISEASE CLINIC

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6) COLPOSCOPY CLINIC

6) ORAL PRESENTATION OF LITERATURE REVIEW TO GYN/ONCO DIVISION

During the last week of the rotation, the student will present an evidence-based review of a Gyn/Onco topic.

7) MEETING WITH MEDICAL STUDENT EDUCATION DIRECTOR

The student is required to schedule a meeting with the Director sometime within the last two weeks of the rotation. The Director should be notified when the student's presentation is scheduled and will attend, calendar permitting.

8) EXPERIENCE LOG

The student will maintain a log (provided in start up material) of clinical experiences during rotation and hand this log into Clerkship Coordinator at the end of the rotation.

DIDACTIC PROGRAM:

TUMOR BOARD CONFERENCE Tuesdays – 4:30PM

DEPARTMENT GRAND ROUNDS Thursdays – 4:00PM Brady Auditorium

EVALUATION METHOD:

The E-value System is used for Yale students. The student will evaluate the program and be evaluated. Students are evaluated by Dr. Thomas Rutherford including input from fellows. The student is required to schedule a meeting with Dr. Rutherford during the first week of their rotation. A final grade is given by the Medical Student Education Director.

SCHEDULING INFORMATION:

- ** Offered to both Yale and Visiting Students within the YSM 4 week clerkship rotation dates.
- ** First Day report at 7:00AM with the Gyn/Onco team at Morning Report.
- ** Open to one student only per 4 week rotation