

<b>Course Description</b>	The Acting Internship (AI) in Inpatient Family Medicine is a comprehensive inpatient family medicine clinical experience designed to provide the student with increased responsibilities for the assessment and management of a diverse patient population. Students are integrated into the health care team and will have primary responsibility for the patient's care under close supervision. The Acting Intern will experience the roles and responsibilities of an intern on the team.
<b>Course Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognize the clinical presentation, perform a diagnostic work-up, institute therapy and arrange subsequent follow up for common adult and pediatric medical problems requiring hospitalization.</li> <li>• Assess patients in the Emergency Department setting and determine the need for either hospitalization or outpatient treatment</li> <li>• Practice effective time management skills in the care of hospitalized patients</li> <li>• Complete admission history and physical exams, daily notes and discharge summaries on assigned patients.</li> <li>• Interpret basic laboratory, x-ray and other diagnostic studies and assess their relative importance and priority for the patient.</li> <li>• Communicate effectively with other members of the health care team including physicians, nurses, discharge planners and social workers.</li> <li>• Communicate effectively with patients and their families, and identify the physical, psychological and social effects that illness and hospitalization have on patients and their families.</li> <li>• Provide the patient and their follow-up provider with a continuing plan of care upon discharge from the hospital</li> </ul>
<b>Course Activities</b>	The student will function as an intern equivalent on the Family Medicine Inpatient Service caring for 2-4 patients daily. Usual daily activities include resident & student work rounds (patient assessment/notes/orders), teaching rounds with attending physicians, morning report, noon conferences and continuation of patient care activities throughout the afternoon. AI's may also participate in deliveries, newborn care, and ambulatory care if desired.
<b>Course Schedule Requirements</b>	Student must be available from 7:00 am through 6:00 pm daily. Rotation does include call days which may require the student to stay past 5:30 pm. Students scheduled for night float must be present from 5:30 pm until 7:00 am the following day.

<b>Duration</b>	4 weeks	<b>Location</b>	Vidant Medical Center
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<b>Designation</b>	Acting Internship, Elective	<b>Revised</b>	05.02.2019
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