

Course Description	The Acting Internship (AI) is a comprehensive clinical experience designed to provide the student with increased responsibilities for the assessment and management of patients. 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. This AI will focus on the care of newborn infants and their families in a well-baby nursery setting.
Course Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe how a normal pregnancy is monitored for fetal well-being. • Discuss the timing of transitional changes in anatomy and physiology that occur after delivery of the newborn. • Complete a comprehensive history for a newborn infant, including pertinent obstetric history, family history, and social history. • Perform a complete physical examination of the newborn, including an assessment of gestation age. • Describe a variety of physical findings in the newborn and discuss their clinical significance. • Describe and discuss available screening protocols to identify risk for developing serious illness in newborns. • Discuss the basic science principles underlying an important clinical aspect of the care of premature and/or term newborn infants. • Practice effective professional communication with parents/families, staff, and members of the team caring for the newborn • Perform a newborn circumcision
Course Activities	Students in this course will participate in weekly conferences and Grand Rounds. Time in this course will be shared between the following areas: lactation consults, counseling mothers who breast-feed; an obstetric office; a delivery room. Students will be required to provide a 30-45-minute oral presentation based on a basic aspect of clinical issues of the care of a newborn, and will receive formative, mid-rotation feedback from the course coordinator.
Course Schedule Requirements	Students will be expected to take one call per week to be arranged with the nursery senior resident on house call.

Duration	4 Weeks	Location	Vidant Medical Center
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Designation	Acting Internship, Elective	Revised	8.23.2019
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