Faculty of Medicine

THE UBC FACULTY OF MEDICINE is training the next generation of physicians, making new discoveries, and creating pathways to better health for communities across the BC Interior.

In partnership with Interior Health, the Southern Medical Program (SMP) is one of four regional sites for UBC's distributed MD Undergraduate Program. The SMP admits 32 students each year as part of the provincial cohort of 288 students, and designates up to ten spots for northern and rural applicants. SMP graduates have entered a wide variety of residencies and some of our first graduates are now practicing physicians in BC and across the country.

Years 1 and 2 students divide their time between the Reichwald Health Sciences Centre at UBC Okanagan, Clinical Academic Campus at Kelowna General Hospital (KGH), and family practice offices between Vernon and Peachland. Years 3 and 4 students spend the majority of their training in Kelowna, Kamloops, Vernon and Trail with clinical rotations in over 80 clinical education sites across the province.

In 2011, the SMP established a Traditional Clerkship rotation at Royal Inland Hospital (RIH). Each year, six Year 3 students complete training in core rotations at RIH and gain experience to the breadth of medicine offered in Kamloops. In 2014, UBC established a Family Practice Residency Site in Kamloops and welcomes eight family practice residents each year to the community.

Kamloops Family Physicians

UBC is recruiting Kamloops family physicians to join our faculty and support medical education in their community. Our faculty and staff are happy to work with you to find teaching opportunities that best suit your practice and interests.

RURAL FAMILY PRACTICE CLERKSHIP

Support Year 3 students experience rural family practice. Teach four weeks in clinic and/or at RIH.

YEAR 4 ELECTIVES

Train Year 4 students in the diversity of family medicine tailored to your specific practice and community opportunities. Teach two to four weeks in clinic and/or at RIH.

FAMILY PRACTICE RESIDENCY PROGRAM

Advance the education and skills-sets for Family Practice residents training in the community. Teach throughout the academic year with various opportunities and commitment levels.



Why Teach?

You will like it! Medical students and residents have shown to provide positive impacts on physicians, their practice, and their patients. Their enthusiasm for learning often revitalizes physicians to pursue their clinical and academic pursuits.

Your patients will like it! Most patients welcome the opportunity to help train the next generation of physicians.

UBC will support you! Accreditation standards require all physicians supervising UBC students and residents to hold a UBC Clinical Faculty Appointment (CFA). A CFA is also necessary to receive compensation for teaching.

Additional benefits include discounts on computer software and departmental purchases; UBC preferred rates for airplane tickets, car rentals, hotel rates, YVR airport parking; and a UBC library card and email account.

If you are new to teaching or want to advance your skills, UBC offers numerous faculty development resources and professional development opportunities.

Contact us

Thank you for your interest in teaching with UBC. Please contact us to discover how you can support medical education in the BC Interior.

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