

About

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Interviews

Dates: UBC will interview on January 19, 2020.

Notification/Invitation: Program will notify all applicants

Interview Process

The Selection Committee will review applications. Short-listed candidates will be invited to an interview.

Candidates apply to each distributed site separately, and each site will submit a separate rank list. However, the interviews will be conducted together by representatives of all the sites. The exact plan for the two days will be communicated to applicants invited for an interview. We make every effort to ensure candidates are given the opportunity to meet staff and residents (where applicable) from each site. Site visits at the distributed sites are also possible, though not required.

There is traditionally a social event during the evening for students and residents only, which will be held on January 18, 2020. We also host a send-off brunch where we allow each site to showcase their unique features, which will be held on the morning of January 20, 2020.

Selection Criteria

The following criteria will be considered in the selection process:

- The candidate's academic record.
- The candidate should have demonstrated an interest in emergency medicine.
- The candidate must have good communication and interpersonal skills.
- It is useful to have a reference from an emergency physician working in an academic centre.

Elective Requirements: We encourage applicants to have completed at least one elective in our specialty.

On Site Elective: We do not require applicants to have done onsite electives.

Other information regarding elective requirement: The selection committee recognizes that it is difficult for out of province students to obtain an on site elective due to the number of UBC students who are doing their mandatory Emergency Medicine rotation. Students should not be discouraged from applying, as many of our current residents are from out of province, and did not complete on site electives as students.

Program Highlights

Candidates should apply to all 4 UBC EM sites separately, selecting whichever locations appeal to them.

The Fraser Program accepts two residents per year, for a total of thirteen across the 5-year program. The Fraser Program is based out of Royal Columbian Hospital in New Westminster, BC, with rotations in other Fraser Hospitals such as Surrey Memorial.

- High fidelity simulation once per month in the new simulation center at Surrey Memorial Hospital
- Dedicated ultrasound block early in first year during block 3
- Local ECG rounds, radiology rounds, and staff-led journal club in conjunction with the VGH EM Program
- Annual summer and winter resident retreats
- First year residents are part of the intern group at RCH, with their own weekly academic sessions and social events
- Less competition for learning opportunities compared to other centres as only two FRCPC Royal College Programs run out of Fraser at this time (Emergency Medicine and Psychiatry)

For more information, please refer to our [program description](#) on the CaRMS website.

Royal Columbian Hospital

Royal Columbian Hospital is a 440 bed hospital that sees 75,000 EM visits/year including pediatric patients. It is the referral centre for many services across the Fraser region including for stroke, interventional cardiology, cardiac surgery and ECMO. Our hospital sees high volume and acuity, yet because of the relatively smaller number of learners, there is ample opportunity for learning. RCH is a Level-One Trauma Centre, among the busiest trauma hospitals in all of Canada, and receives the highest number of autolaunches in BC.

Surrey Memorial Hospital

Surrey Memorial Hospital is the other large hospital within Fraser, and sees 150,000 EM visits/year including pediatric patients. The facility is brand new with a state-of-the-art simulation centre.

Program Curriculum

Year		Emergency Medicine	Off Service	Specialty Rotations
PGY 1 (13 blocks)	Transition to Discipline (3 blocks)	2 EM		

	Foundations (10 blocks)	1 EM 1 PEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal Medicine (2) • General Surgery • Obstetrics and Gynecology • ICU RCH • Psychiatry (EM) • Trauma 	
PGY 2 – 4 (39 blocks)	Core	17 EM 4 PEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jr ICU at SMH • Sr ICU at VGH (2) • CCU RCH • CCU (Coastal) • Anesthesia (2) • Ortho • Neurology • Plastics • Toxicology • Pediatric ICU (Coastal) • Pediatric Anesthesia (Coastal) 	1 block each of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Health Services • NERD/Research 3 blocks electives
PGY 5 (13 blocks)	Transition to Practice	5 EM 1 PEM		6 blocks Area of Concentrated Expertise (ACE) 1 block MERIT/ Education