



Department of Surgery, University of Saskatchewan

The University of Saskatchewan offers a one-year Clinical Fellowship in Acute Care and Community Surgery. The Fellowship is designed to prepare surgeons for a career in Community Surgery with focus on enhanced skills in Acute Care-Emergency Surgery.

Clinical excellence

Promoting a diverse and intense clinical experience is a central priority of the fellowship program. Acute Care and emergency surgical rotations will take place in Saskatoon at the Royal University Hospital, as well as St. Paul's Hospital. There are two acute care surgical services in Saskatoon, one at each facility. These surgical units function as the major referral center for the northern half of the Province, and therefore provide a large volume of diverse surgical urgent and emergent cases. The Royal University Hospital facility also provides Trauma services for the northern half of the Province which will provide the Fellow with the opportunity to enhance their trauma management skills.

The exposure to Community Surgical experiences will take place in one of our affiliated Regional Teaching Centers. Our Regional centers will expose the Fellows to the breadth of surgical skills and the challenges of practice in a Regional Surgical location. The opportunities to perform procedures not typically associated with traditional General Surgical training, as well as the opportunity to enhance skills in areas such as endoscopy will be limitless.

The rotation schedule will also include elective time which can be utilized for focused training in specialized surgical skills, such as Urology, Plastics, or Critical Care which would lead to enhanced skill development for practice in Regional Centers. Examples of this could include cystoscopy, carpal tunnel release, etc.

ACS fellows will serve as clinical and administrative chiefs on dedicated ACS services, and are responsible for directing patient management, teaching, and initiation and completion of surveillance and quality improvement initiatives. Opportunities will also be available for training of Graduates and Undergraduate students in both clinical and simulation settings.

Academic excellence

The fellowship has an educational curriculum including: reading, journal article reviews, and formal rounds presentation. All fellows are expected to develop research programs, based on their personal interest and career ambitions. Clinical research endeavors are supported and fellows will be encouraged to present their work at major National/International meetings.

Qualifications

A fellowship candidate must meet the following criteria: (1) has completed training and holds an M.D. or equivalent degree and (2) has completed an accredited General Surgery residency with certification upon starting the fellowship. Proof of COVID-19 vaccination will be required to become a member of Practitioner Staff and provide care in Saskatchewan Health Authority facilities.

Apply now

We are currently accepting applications. Please send us your curriculum vitae, personal statement, and three letters of references to the email address below. **The application deadline December 31, 2021 with interviews to follow after applications are reviewed. The intended start date will be July 1, 2022.**

Please send applications letter and CV to:

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