Acting Internship Description

**Campus:** Northeast  
**Department:** Internal Medicine

**Acting Internship Title:** Hospital Medicine Acting Internship  
**Course Number:** IMED 9391-01

**Location of Acting Internship:** Altru Health System - Grand Forks, ND

**Preceptor(s):**  
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Rene Fredstrom, MD

Sunil Kartham, MD  
Edwin Kwakugah, MD  
Kene Mezue, MD

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Ike Onyeka, MD  
Heather Rusten, DO

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**Period(s) offered:** All year  
**Number of students per period:** 1

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Acting Internship in Hospital medicine is to  
1. Provide a structured clinical experience in internal medicine and sub-specialty areas necessary for the care of the hospitalized patient.  
2. Prepare for the patient management responsibilities of internship.

**Objectives:** After completing the acting internship, the student will be able to  
1. Obtain a history and perform a physical exam  
   
   EPA #1 Year 4 LO #1

2. Present the history and physical in a concise, well-organized format  
   
   EPA #6 Year 4 LO #2

3. Form and prioritize a differential diagnosis. Select a working diagnosis.  
   
   EPA #2 Year 4 LO #3

4. Discuss orders and prescriptions and construct evidence based management plans.  
   
   EPA #4 Year 4 LO #14

5. Select screening and diagnostic studies and labs and interpret the results of these tests.  
   
   EPA #3 Year 4 LO #4, 14

6. Recognize patients who are critically ill or require emergent care and initiate the appropriate initial steps in that care. Reassess patients on an ongoing basis and adjust plan of care as appropriate.  
   
   EPA #10 Year 4 LO #10

7. Document the clinical encounter in a timely fashion  
   
   EPA #5 Year 4 LO #2

8. Communicate effectively with patients and their families regarding diagnoses and plans of care with respect for cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds.  
   
   Year 4 LO # 6

9. Work effectively as a member of the interprofessional healthcare team including giving and accepting patient handoffs at transitions of care.  
   
   EPA #8, EPA #9 Year 4 LO #7, #8

10. Research a clinical question relating to patient care with appropriate evaluation of resources and use of evidence-based information.  
    
    EPA #7 Year 4 LO #13

11. Formulate or update an accurate problem list for patients under his or her care.  
    
    EPA # 5 – Year 4 LO #5

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**Specialty Specific Objectives:** (These should be linked to EPAs and Year 4 learning objectives, which can be found at [https://med.und.edu/education-resources/fourth-year.html#Yr4O](https://med.und.edu/education-resources/fourth-year.html#Yr4O) under “Overview & Objectives”)

12. Obtain informed consent for tests and procedures.
   *EPA # 11 Year 4 LO 12*

13. Perform the following procedures under the supervision of an attending physician or resident if encountered during the rotation. (Arthrocentesis, Paracentesis, Bedside Ultrasound, Punch Skin Biopsy)
   *EPA #11, EPA #12 Year 4 LO #12*

14. Effectively call specialty providers for consults.
   *EPA #9 Year 4 LO #7*

**Instructional Activities:** During this elective, the student will be involved in/experience:

1. Assuming primary responsibility of his or her assigned patients under the supervision of an upper level resident or attending.
2. Admitting patients to the hospitalist service including performing the admission history and physical exam, developing an assessment and plan, presenting and documenting HPI, placing admit orders under the supervision of a Hospitalist (1-2 per day).
3. Daily care of 6-8 inpatients including rounds, presentation of the daily update, documentation and coordination of care. Coordination of care will include working in an interdisciplinary team with OT, PT, Speech therapy, Case management, nursing and RT.
4. Working with one hospitalist for a week with 1 day off in each week without exceeding duty hours listed in medical school duty hour’s policy.
5. Placing consults to specialty providers.
6. Responding to questions, emergencies (rapid responses and code blues) on the patients primarily assigned to the student under the supervision of attending physician.
7. Performing discharge rounds and coordinating care with primary care physician for safe hand off.
8. Performing above mentioned procedures under supervision of hospitalist/Resident.
9. Attending noon conferences held at Altru Health System.
10. Participate in teaching 3rd year medical students.

**Evaluation Methods:** The preceptor will:

1. By direct observation evaluate the student’s ability to perform a complete history and physical pertinent to the AI specialty and present his or her findings. (objective #1,2)
2. By direct observation or review of written work evaluate the student’s ability to form a complete differential diagnosis and select a working diagnosis. (Objective #3)
3. By direct observation or verbal discussion evaluate the student’s formulation of patient management plans including those for patients requiring emergent management. (Objective #4, 6)
4. By direct observation, verbal discussion or review of written work, evaluate the student’s selection and interpretation of screening and diagnostic laboratory tests. (Objective #5)
5. By direct observation evaluate the student’s documentation of clinical encounters. (Objective #7, 11)
6. By direct observation and via feedback from the healthcare team, patients, and families, evaluate the student’s communication skills including patient handoffs and consultations. (Objective #8, 9)
7. By review of written or verbal presentation made by the student evaluate the student’s use of evidence-based information to research a patient care question. (Objective #10)
8. By direct observation assess the student’s ability to perform procedures including obtaining Informed Consent. (Objective #11, 12)

Assessment:

Evaluation methods #1-8 will be assessed using the Entrustability scale.

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<td>Complete independence, understand risks and performs safely, practice ready</td>
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*This scale was adapted from the Ottawa surgical competency operating room evaluation (O-SCORE): A tool to assess surgical competence. Acad Med. 2012; 87:1401-407.

Please indicate who will be completing the assessment. If more than one preceptor, how will scores be compiled?

The student is evaluated by the attending physician each week. (Maximum of 4 attending physicians and minimum of 2 evaluations needed for grading)

Grading is done using the following formula: 10 question evaluation (see AI evaluation form attached) with maximum possible points of 50. Required minimum for pass is 25. Average of at least 2 evaluations required.

Required clinical encounters check list (see attached list) - participation in 15 out of 20 encounters required to pass. Each encounter is awarded 1 point.

Grading Criteria:

To receive honors, the student must: Score 55 points aggregate between preceptor evaluations and required clinical encounters and receive no scores less than 3 for any specific item.

To pass the AI, the student must: **Score 25 points in preceptor evaluations and 15 points in required encounters** for aggregate minimum of 40 points and receive no score less than 2 for any specific item.

If the student does not pass the AI, the AI director and campus dean will work with the student to form a written remediation plan (signed by all 3) that specifically addresses the competencies that the student did not meet during the rotation. A copy of this plan will be sent to the Office of Student Affairs. In order to pass the AI, the student will be required to meet the original passing requirements. A student may not receive honors on an AI that was initially failed. Minimum remediation will consist of: If failed in preceptor evaluations (points less than 25) - will be required to repeat AI with 1 preceptor for a week and re evaluate.

If failed in required clinical encounters- the remediation plan will specify how required encounters will be remediated.
Required clinical encounters list - Hospital medicine AI

- abdominal pain
- Acute GI bleed
- Acute CHF
- Acute renal failure
- Altered mental status
- Tachyarrhythmia
- Bradyarrhythmias
- Chest pain
- Drug/Alcohol overdose/Withdrawal
- Acute COPD/Asthma exacerbation
- Electrolyte disorders
- Fever
- Glycemic control
- Hypertensive urgency/emergency
- Nausea/vomiting
- Pain management
- Acute respiratory distress
- Hypotension/shock
- Stroke
- Seizures
Subject:  
Evaluator:  
Site:  
Period:  
Dates of Rotation:  
Rotation:  IMED/Hospital Medicine /AI  
Form:  Assessment of Student Hospital Medicine Acting Internship Performance  

By completing this document I agree that I have read and complied with the following UNDSMHS policies:  *(Question 1 of 6 - Mandatory)*  
- Conflict of Interest in Assessment  
  - URL: [http://med.und.edu/policies/_files/docs/2.3-3.2-conflict-of-interest-assessment.pdf](http://med.und.edu/policies/_files/docs/2.3-3.2-conflict-of-interest-assessment.pdf)  
- Learner Mistreatment – Formerly known as the Teacher-Learner Agreement  
  - URL: [http://med.und.edu/policies/_files/docs/2.5-3.12-learner-mistreatment.pdf](http://med.und.edu/policies/_files/docs/2.5-3.12-learner-mistreatment.pdf)  

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The contents of this form are a vital part of the student's permanent record and will be used to provide feedback to the student as well as information for residency applications.  

Please evaluate the AI student’s ability to perform the following items using the Ottawa Entrustability Scale as a guide.  

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and seeks help appropriately.

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Form management plans for common and essential Hospital Medicine conditions, and interpret diagnostic and screening tests as listed on the AI student checklist. Completed?

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<th>Describe the common Hospital medicine/IM procedures as listed on the AI student checklist. Completed?</th>
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Formative Evaluation: (For student development only. Will not appear in Dean's letter.) (Question 5 of 6)

SUMMATIVE EVALUATION (Question 6 of 6 - Mandatory)

Narrative on student's strengths and weaknesses during period of contact.