

Elective Description

Campus: Southeast (Fargo)

Elective/Experience Title: Lamb Plastic Surgery – Fargo, ND

Location of Elective: Professional Bldg – Fargo, ND

Department: Surgery

Course Number: 9214-01

Preceptor(s): Donald R. Lamb, MD

Period(s) Offered: All

Number of students per period: 1

Purpose: To provide education and experience in the care of patient requiring plastic surgery or hand surgery services.

Objectives: Following successful completion of this elective, the student will be able to:

1. Perform basic evaluation of patients in reference to topographical regional anatomy and its relationship to surgical problems.
2. Develop logical treatment plans for the plastic surgery or hand surgery patients with attention to physiologic principles of wound healing and potential surgery complications.
3. Complete post-hospitalization evaluations of plastic surgery or hand surgery.
4. Review and advise the ancillary services assisting in the care of the plastic surgery or hand surgery patient.

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

1. Participating in patient care in clinic and hospital settings; taking histories and doing physical examinations; and formulating differential diagnoses and management plans.
2. Assisting the preceptor in the operating room and participating in the hospital care of the preceptor's patients.
3. Observing and participating in diagnostic procedures and developing treatment plans while keeping in mind potential complications of these procedures.
4. Reading assignments from available texts and discussions of these assignments with the preceptor.
5. Caring with empathy and sensitivity for aesthetic patients seeking plastic surgery services.

Criteria for Grading: During and following this elective, the preceptor will:

1. Utilize the standardized UNDSMHS senior elective evaluation form.
2. Evaluate by direct observation the student's ability to accurately and thoroughly take histories and perform physical examinations and formulate appropriate treatment plans.
3. Evaluate by direct observation the student's knowledge of the basic management of common plastic surgery or hand surgery conditions.
4. Evaluate the student's professionalism and ability to provide empathetic and sensitive care.