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A Salute to Our Great Preceptors!

Thank you preceptors for all you have done to continue providing IPPE and APPE rotations for VCU School of Pharmacy students during this enormously stressful time. We truly appreciate all of you, not only for all you do for the school and our students, but for the sacrifices you are making to keep our communities safe.



PLEASE STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY DURING THIS TIME!

Updated IPPE & APPE Schedules for the 2020-21 Academic Year

On March 30, 2020 the Governor of Virginia issued a statewide Stay-At-Home order effective immediately and through June 10th. Due to that order and directions from the VCU Health Sciences Center, OEE suspended IPPE Community and Hospital rotations as well as the first APPE rotation block.

Following the guidance of VCU Health Sciences, OEE is planning to resume rotations at available sites on June 22nd. IPPE schedules on site have been reduced by 1 week each with IPPE Community Rotations lasting 3 weeks instead of 4 and IPPE Hospital Rotations lasting 2 weeks instead of 3. In addition, IPPEs will be offered at multiple times in order to better accommodate both preceptors' and students' schedules.

IPPE Community Block 1: 7/6/20 - 7/24/20

IPPE Community Block 2: 7/27/20 - 8/14/20

IPPE Community Block 3: 12/14/20 - 1/8/21 (120 hours over winter break)

IPPE Hospital Block 1: 7/20/20 - 7/31/20

IPPE Hospital Block 2: 8/3/20 - 8/14/20

IPPE Hospital Block 3: 12/14/20 - 12/31/20 (80 hours over winter break)

APPE blocks will be condensed from 5 week to 4 week rotations with students completing 10 hr/day instead of 8. *This is for the class of 2021 only.* Preceptors will **not** be asked or expected to stay on site for any additional time to accommodate this change.

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The additional time will come from hours students spend on projects, research, preparation, and presentations before and after official rotation hours in the mornings and evenings. Resources will be provided to help with this process. The revised APPE schedule is as follows:

Block 1: Removed due to COVID-19

Block 2: 6/22/20 - 7/17/20

Block 3: 7/20/20 - 8/14/20

Block 4: 8/17/20 - 9/11/20

Block 5: 9/14/20 - 10/9/20

Block 6: 10/12/20 - 11/6/20

Block 7: 11/9/20 - 12/4/20

WINTER BREAK: 12/7/20 - 1/1/21

Block 8: 1/4/21 - 1/29/21

FLEX TIME: 2/1/21- 2/19/21 (to be used to make-up rotation time missed for residency interviewing)

Block 9: 2/22/21 - 3/18/21 (March 19th is a mandatory On-Campus Day)

Block 10: 3/22/21 - 4/16/21

Block 11 (only if needed for overflow): 4/19/21 - 5/14/21

COVID-19 Student Information

In addition to the usual trainings students will receive before beginning IPPE or APPE rotations, students will be provided with the following specific to COVID-19:

- Face masks: 1 per week of rotations
- COVID-19 specific training on information and safety



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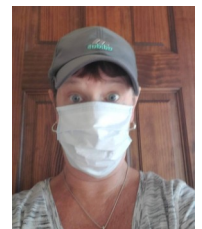


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