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This Bulletin is the comprehensive source of academic information and program requirements for the Penn State College of Medicine. The College is committed to the education of medical, physician assistant, graduate students, and practicing health professionals. Explore programs and research opportunities as you select your specialty and gain knowledge in the field.

Features

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- Real-time amendments to information in the Bulletin will be tracked on the Changes (p. 1) page.
- Currently or previously enrolled students should consult their adviser and degree audit reports for specific requirements.

Course Bubble
When a course link is clicked, a course bubble will appear with important course information including, but not limited to:
- course title, description, and credits;
- prerequisites

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Changes to the College of Medicine Bulletin

Changes to the College of Medicine Bulletin will be tracked in real-time and listed below. At the end of every semester, these updates will be incorporated into the Bulletin.

Courses Added: Effective Fall 2019
- CCE 710: Career Confirmation Elective
- CES 731: Career Exploration and Synthesis-Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship (CES-LIC)

Course Changes: Effective Spring 2020
HMN 760: Disease in American History (2 Credits)
Old Listing Effective Through Fall 2019:
An examination of the social and cultural meanings of such diseases as smallpox, syphilis, and tuberculosis in American history.

Changes Effective Spring 2020:
- Title
- Description
- Credits
- Prerequisite

PAS 769: Neurosurgery I (5 Credits)
Old Listing Effective Through Fall 2019:
PAS 769 is an elective rotation in the clinical curriculum of the Penn State Physician Assistant Program. This rotation will provide students with the requisite knowledge and clinical experiences for preparing the student to care for patients with a neurology complaint who referred for treatment in the neurosurgery setting. Students may assist with procedures and will perform history and physical examinations and medical consultations for patients with a neurosurgery related complaint. Students may be part of the pre-treatment planning for a patient about to undergo neurosurgery which includes the identification of indications and contraindications for a patient with a neurological condition. Students may also play a role in the post treatment management of patients who have undergone related surgical procedures. The exposures that the students have during this rotation will prepare them for their clinical role in taking care of patients throughout their lifespan in various types of clinical and surgical settings which includes the care of the patient with a neurological related complaint that may require surgical intervention.

Changes Effective Spring 2020:
- Prerequisite