

Flex Week Proposal:

Title	A Wonderful World of Bugs: An Introduction to Infectious Disease	
Experience Category [bold your category]	Clinical shadowing Research-related Community Service Other:	Professional Enrichment Courses (PECs) Professional Development Wellness
Goal	To introduce students to infectious disease as a specialty, see how ID interacts with other specialties, and get a behind the scenes look at what happens when samples get sent to the micro lab	
Brief Description	Students will get an in-depth exposure to infectious disease in a variety of settings (inpatient, outpatient, adult, peds) through clinical shadowing, supplemented by educational activities and group discussions	
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Department	Internal Medicine, Division of Infectious Disease	
Capacity (# students)	5 students per week	
Location	Variable	
Reporting Info/First Day Location	Scaife 893	
Maximum # of students	5 students per week	
Minimum # of students	1 student per week	

MS1 (Class of 2028)			
Week	Start Date (Mon)	End Date (Fri)	Available?
5	Tuesday 9/3/2024	9/6/2024	Yes
12	Tuesday 10/22/2024	10/25/2024	No
26	1/27/2025	1/31/2025	Yes
30	2/24/2025	2/28/2025	Yes

59	9/16/2025	9/20/2025	Yes
MS2 (Class of 2027)			
Week	Start Date (Mon)	End Date (Fri)	Available?
59	9/16/24	9/20/24	Yes
70	12/2/2025	12/6/2025	Yes

Weekly Schedule (5 hours/day with 2 hours synchronous activity; Avg. 25 hours per week)

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
AM	Intro to ID Flex week: -overview of ID and subspecialties - ID history taking	Inpatient shadowing (General ID inpatient consults)	- Tour of clinical microbiology lab (Hannah Creager/Bryan Stevens) -Discussion on antibiotic stewardship/Antibiotic Management Plan team -Hospital Epi/Infection Control (Spencer Schrank)	Student's choice of where they want to shadow more (see list below**)	Children's hospital – outpatient general ID clinic (Anita Mcelroy)
PM	Outpatient clinic (choice of PACT/PrEP clinic, Gen ID clinic, transplant ID, Tele-ID, Travel Health + Peds ID)	-Endovascular ID (multidisciplinary call, Simi Padival) Transplant/Immunocompromised ID service (Will Garner)	ID-Themed Escape Room (Diana 9/3; others after 9/3) Discussion with fellows: Pathway to ID	-Vaccination discussion (Carolyn Fernandes, Christiane Hadi) - Grand Rounds and Med Student Debrief	-Children's ID Noon Case Conference -Children's inpatient shadowing (Anita Mcelroy)

**** Student options for Thursday shadowing:**

- Surgical ID
- General ID

- Endovascular Infections
- Transplant ID (Solid Organ or Bone Marrow/Heme malignancy)
- VA ID
- Tele ID
- Community outpatient HIV/PreP

<p>Schedule splitting:</p> <p>Would it be possible for students to take SOME of the weekly schedule (e.g., just mornings or just a few half-days), or would you prefer that a student take the schedule in its entirety?</p> <p>[bold your choice]</p>	<p>Partial OK</p> <p>Full required</p>
<p>If so above, please designate which parts of your schedule this would impact</p>	<p>Escape Room</p>

NOTES:

- Schedules should have activities for students at least 5hr/dy, with at least 2hr/dy synchronous
- Unlike PEC's, students will not receive grades/certificates for flex week completion