NSU MD M4 Curriculum Requirements

Year 4: Year 4 constitutes the final phase of the curriculum. In Year 4, students must complete both required and elective coursework.

Each student must complete a required 4-week subinternship at a home institution and NSU MD's two-week required "Transition to Residency" course. ^

Each student must complete a minimum of 24 weeks of elective experiences, including at least 12 weeks that require hands-on patient care*. Students are highly encouraged to engage in additional direct patient care rotations to enhance their preparation for residency. No more than 8 weeks of rotations in a single specialty will be credited toward the 24 weeks of required elective experiences.**

Students must complete 4 weeks of required research to meet graduation requirements (if this was not completed earlier in the curriculum, it must be completed during M4 year). Students may also take up to 8 weeks of research elective, for a total of 12 weeks of research. Additional research rotations beyond these 12 weeks must be approved by the student's advisor and the Office of Admissions and Student Affairs.

Students are required to seek guidance from their faculty, advisors, and the Office of Admissions and Student Affairs regarding choice of electives. The Assistant Dean for Admissions and Student Affairs is responsible for the review and approval of each student's planned electives schedule as well as review and approval of any changes to the schedule.

^Beginning with CO 2024, students are also required to complete a four-week High Acuity Care rotation during M4 year

*The Step 2 Prep course does not contribute elective credit towards the 24 credits required for graduation
**Specialty is determined by ABMS Guide to Medical Specialties 2022

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