INTRODUCTION TO BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH AT UCLA

This selective consists of approximately 20 oral presentations and discussions on Monday evenings from September 2016 through March 2017. The presentations, given by key faculty and senior MSTP students, will focus mostly on basic science research but will also include translational research and possible social sciences as well. Medical students are required to attend and participate in at least 10 of the sessions. MSTP students are required to attend and participate in all sessions. One research article will be distributed before each meeting to facilitate the discussions. This selective will expose first and second year MSTP students and other medical students interested in research-oriented careers to the diverse range of research opportunities available at UCLA. The breadth of topics provides valuable exposure to research areas that are outside a student’s area of expertise, and can help MSTP students and other medical students identify laboratories in which to perform research.

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Teaching Methods: Discussions

Enrollment: Enrollment: MSTP students are automatically enrolled in this selective and are required to attend all sessions, and will receive selective credit at the end of year 2. Non-MSTP students in the second year who are in the Clinical and Translational Research Pathway may enroll for one full semester, either Fall or Spring, and are required to attend all sessions in that semester to complete the requirement for the Clinical and Translational Research Pathway. All students will complete a 2-3 page research proposal based on the topic of his/her choice

Sponsoring College: Medical Scientist Training Program, Academic Medicine College

Schedule: 5:45 – 7:45 pm, Mondays throughout the school year.

Location: TBD at UCLA