

Department Chairs for DGSOM Residency Application Chair's Letter

The specialties below require a Chair's Letter for your residency application. If you are planning on applying to a preliminary year program in internal medicine, pediatrics, and/or surgery, you will also need a Chair's Letter. Send your request to the email indicated below. Note any additional information that may be requested as well (CV, PS, specific forms, etc.).

Internal Medicine select your third-year clerkship site (review the "DOM Summary Letter aka Chair's Letter FAQ 2023")

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Include the "DOM Summary Letter aka Chair's Letter Request UCLA Site only 2023" with your email request.
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Pediatrics

- Deborah Lehman, MD dlehman@mednet.ucla.edu
 - Co-signed by Sherin Devaskar, MD
 - Include the "Pediatric Chair's Letter Request" with your email request.

Obstetrics & Gynecology

- Deborah Krakow, MD
 - Please send requests to OBGYNMedEd@mednet.ucla.edu

Orthopaedic Surgery

- Rachel Thompson, MD
 - Co-signed by Nicholas Bernthal, MD
 - Please send requests to Melanie Caluza, mcaluza@mednet.ucla.edu
 - Include your CV and personal statement with your email request

Surgery, General

- Joe Hines, MD
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 - Include your CV, personal statement, and ERAS LOR link with your email request
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