Thank you for your interest in the Fourth Year Medical Student Elective Program. We welcome and encourage students who are interested in Ob/Gyn and our residency program to spend four weeks in Asheville.

Please look over the course description and calendar for Ob/Gyn on the inside pages. Due to limited space, MAHEC electives are only offered to students enrolled in accredited United States and Canadian medical schools.

Housing is available through MAHEC, contingent on availability, at a modest cost after confirmation of rotation. Once you’ve been approved for a rotation, it is encouraged that you apply early as space is limited. Students should apply by going to www.mahec.net.
The Mountain Area Health Education Center (MAHEC) is an integral part of our Western North Carolina community, and a critical resource for improving health care in the mountain region. Our mission is to provide specialized obstetric and gynecologic care to the women of Western North Carolina through compassionate, patient-centered services and comprehensive education of healthcare providers.

The residency experience at MAHEC is unique, because our program is really a hybrid program which offers many of the opportunities of large academic centers within the supportive setting of a small, community-based program. MAHEC is a patient-centered healthcare provider which delivers care using a team approach. Our residents train at a Baby-Friendly certified hospital where over 4,000 deliveries and 40,000 surgeries are performed each year—more than any other hospital in North Carolina. MAHEC Maternal Fetal Medicine specialists are the primary providers of high risk obstetrics for the region, and expose trainees to the full spectrum of OB and neonatal care. Urogynecology, reproductive endocrinology and vulvar specialists provide extensive training in gynecology, and our connections around the world provide opportunities for international training.

While all residents at MAHEC are trained in medical research, those interested in an academic career receive extensive training and support as they design and implement their own aggressive research plan with the guidance of MAHEC's Director of Research and Education. Many resident research projects lead to changes in our clinical practice. This serves as a testimony to how much we value resident research, and also how MAHEC continually positions itself on the cutting edge of patient care and resident education. All MAHEC Faculty are fully committed to teaching, and trained on how to educate adult learners. Our program offers quarterly simulation training as part of our regular didactic schedule, and we also utilize several other virtual training methods. All our didactics are formatted for adult learners, and we continually seek new and innovative ways to teach, train and prepare our residents.

I’m very proud of MAHEC’s Ob/Gyn Residency Program. We offer a unique residency experience with opportunities for international training and medical research, provided by faculty fully committed to resident education. Our residents learn within a supportive, community-based, and highly advanced healthcare system. Whether in the classroom or the delivery room, our residents receive the very best in learning opportunities, while providing the very best in healthcare to the people of Western North Carolina.

Thank you for your interest in our program!

Andrea Currens, MD
Ob/Gyn Student Clerkship Director
Clinical Assistant Professor
Department of Ob/Gyn
UNC School of Medicine
Elective in Ob/Gyn in Western NC: OBGN 440

A four-week audition/elective in Asheville, NC. The student rotation will be guided by personal learning goals and objectives. Areas of interest may include Maternal Fetal Medicine, Reproductive Endocrinology, Gynecologic Oncology, Urogynecology, and Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology, or general Obstetrics and Gynecology care. The student will understand the breadth of the chosen area and develop clinical assessment and plans for appropriate patients.

Clinical experience will include inpatient, surgical, and outpatient experiences. Per week (may be altered based on individual learning goals and objectives): A brief presentation on a relevant clinical topic is a requirement during the course.

2019-20 4th Year Ob-Gyn Rotation Schedule

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Our rotations are only available to students who are planning to specialize in Obstetrics and Gynecology and will be applying to our residency programs.

**Step 1: Apply for Elective using the Visiting Student Application System (VSAS)**

- Apply for elective using VSAS https://www.aamc.org/students/medstudents/vsas/
- The host institution for MAHEC is UNC Chapel Hill
- VSAS will open in January
- The elective rotation number for Elective in Ob-Gyn in Western NC: OBGN 440
- Complete application process as instructed and provide all required documents (Letter of Good Standing, Immunizations, CV, Transcript, Evaluation Form, Photo)
- The Visiting Student Coordinator with UNC Chapel Hill will confirm receipt of application
- Applications will be reviewed for consideration by program for acceptance (space is limited)
- Once you have completed and submitted all required documents and you have been approved and cleared, you will receive an acceptance email by Chapel Hill and MAHEC

**Step 2: Complete the Onboarding Process for MAHEC**

An affiliate agreement with your school is required before you can start your rotation.

60 days prior to the start of your rotation, submit the following:
- MAHEC Application,
  Confidentiality Statement,
  Background Check
- Letter of Good Standing from School to include
  verification of BBP and HIPAA training
- Current Flu Vaccination
- 9 Panel Drug Test to include:
  marijuana, cocaine, methamphetamines, benzodiazepines, PCP- phencyclidine, opiates, methadone, barbiturates, and propoxyphene
- Current PPD
- Current Certificate of Insurance (professional liability)
- School Student Evaluation Form
- Additional documents as required by Mission Hospital

Please note: Students will be required to complete a separate onboarding process with Mission Hospital. This onboarding process must be completed at least two (2) weeks prior to the start of your rotation.

For more information, please visit our website at: http://mahec.net/OBGN
Questions should be directed to Lisa Keiber at lisa.keiber@mahec.net or 828-255-5856.