University of Utah Division of Plastic Surgery Resident Selection Policy

We are currently accepting applicants for the 3 year independent residency and a 6 year integrated residency. We will be matching with San Francisco Match for the traditional residency and with NRMP for the integrated.

The traditional Plastic Surgery residency at the University of Utah conforms to the guidelines set forth by the American Board of Plastic Surgery. While the majority of the residents have completed 5 years of general surgery, the prerequisite training is that set forth by the Board. Satisfactory prerequisite training includes 5 years of general surgery or a full residency in ENT, Orthopedics, Neurosurgery, Urology or Oral Surgery.

For the integrated 6 year residency, applicants apply though ERAS by visiting their web site www.aamc.org/eras. Matching will be done through NRMP. Interviews will be held in December and January.

Integrated residents will have a broad training in plastic surgery, general surgery, ENT, orthopedics, ophthalmology, dermatology, burn surgery, and others during their first three years. The clinical rotations during the last three years of training cover four hospitals. The University of Utah Medical Center is the primary teaching institution with approximately 24 months of the three years spent there. Primary Children's Hospital is the only comprehensive children's hospital in the Intermountain West. This rotation encompasses approximately six months of the total residency. The Veterans Administration Medical Center is the regional referral center for the VA medical system and also encompasses six months of clinical work.

To be eligible for appointment to the Housestaff at the University of Utah School of Medicine, an applicant must:

- Be a graduate of a US or Canadian medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) --OR---
 - Be a graduate of a college of osteopathic medicine in the United States accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) --OR---
 - Be a graduate of a dental school, accredited by the American Dental Association-OR-
 - Be a graduate of a medical school outside of the United States who meets one or more of the following qualifications: (1) Has a currently valid ECFMG certificate; (2) has completed a Fifth Pathway program provided by an LCME accredited medical school.

All PGYI positions for graduates right out of medical school will be offered following the guidelines and policies as established by the National Resident Matching Program.

All PGY1 applicants must have passed Parts 1 and 2 CS and CK of USMLE, or Parts 1 and 2CE and PE of COMLEX, or Part 1 of LMCC MCCQE prior to the time they will begin training. All PGY2 and above applicants must have passed Parts 1, 2CK and 2CS, and 3 of USMLE; or Parts 1, 2CE and 2PE, and 3 of COMLEX; or Parts 1 and 2 of LMCC MCCQE prior to the time they will begin training.

Application packets are reviewed via criteria set forth by the ACGME Program Requirements, the Resident Recruitment Committee and this institution. A designated committee member reviews applicants who meet the criteria. Based on the quality of the application packet and academic credentials, the applicant is subsequently invited, if appropriate, for an interview. On the interview day, applicants receive an informational packet and interview with members of the faculty, including Resident Recruitment Committee members, the Program Director, and the department Chairman whenever possible. All applicants meet with residents. At the conclusion of the interview, the interviewers complete a standard evaluation form for each applicant they interviewed. The results are tallied and form the basis of the preliminary rank order. The Resident Recruitment Committee bases final match rank order on preliminary ranking and review. A match list is developed and submitted to the NRMP. Strict conformance with the rules of the match is maintained throughout the selection process.

On occasion, applicants may interview outside the match, usually to fill a PGY2 or higher position. The same selection policy pertains to these applicants.