

HIV/STI Concentration, Clinical Scholars Track UCLA Multi-Campus Infectious Diseases Fellowship Program

Introduction: The HIV/STI concentration is designed to prepare fellows for a career in comprehensive HIV/STI treatment and prevention. Fellows will participate in a combination of: i) Inpatient training in clinical management of HIV-related complications and co-morbidities; ii) Outpatient training in HIV primary care (including initial selection, maintenance, and switching of antiretroviral therapy regimens; management of HIV-related comorbidities; and health maintenance); iii) Outpatient training in HIV prevention and PrEP; and iv) Outpatient training in STI specialty care. Specific components of the training program will depend on each fellow's individual career objectives and interests.

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Objectives: This concentration aims to promote excellence in the following areas:

- 1) Inpatient HIV care of patients with advanced disease (management of opportunistic infections and IRIS)
- 2) Outpatient HIV care including initiation of antiretroviral therapy; management of ARV toxicity, ARV intolerance, and resistant HIV; provision of comprehensive primary care for individuals with chronic stable HIV infection
- 3) Comprehensive HIV prevention services, including PrEP management, risk reduction counseling, and STI control
- 4) STI prevention and treatment services

Track Activities may include:

- Opportunities to develop knowledge of social and epidemiologic contexts of HIV and STIs through participation in campus research and/or collaboration with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
- Elective time in a range of community and academic HIV and/or STI clinics
- Development of a scholarly project such as case series or case reports, quality improvement projects, secondary analyses of existing data, or systematic review articles
- Lecturing to medical students and/or residents on HIV/STI topics
- Developing curricula for medical students, residents, or fellows on HIV/STI topics
- Submission of an abstract to ID Week for presentation in the second year of fellowship

Skills obtained through this concentration will include specialized expertise in:

- Inpatient management of HIV-related complications
- Outpatient HIV primary care
- Outpatient comprehensive HIV prevention services
- STI prevention and treatment

Fellows who complete the HIV/STI concentration will be prepared for a career as HIV primary care physicians and/or specialists in HIV/STI care working in clinical and/or public health careers.

Resources: Fellows will be able to take advantage of UCLA's extensive resources in HIV/STI prevention, treatment and research including: Faculty conducting clinical work and/or research in HIV primary care, HIV prevention services, and STI care; Clinical Training Sites including CARE, THE, Valley Clinic, VA, local STI clinics; UCLA academic centers for HIV/STI research (e.g., CFAR, CHIPTS, BERG, CWH, CBAM); Campus Lectures and Seminars on HIV/STI prevention, treatment and epidemiology, and research methods.

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