Department of Family Medicine

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The Department of Family Medicine offers a clinical clerkship and specialty electives to fourth year medical students. It also offers postgraduate training program to physicians at the end of which they are eligible to sit for the Arab Board of Family Medicine.

Residency Program

The training program for the family medicine specialty is a four-year program including the internship. The goal of training is to produce competent, community-oriented family physicians capable of providing high-quality care to their patients. The program consists of rotations in the different clinical departments of the Faculty of Medicine, as well as ambulatory primary health care experience in the Family Medicine Practice Center, satellite centers, and emergency services at AUBMC. All residents are required to sit for the In-training Examination of the American Board of Family Medicine.

FMMD 242 Medical Ethics 11.13.
A course that aims to clarify the meaning and significance of key ethical concepts and to increase awareness of ethical issues. This course offers a conceptual framework suitable for ethical analysis of medico-moral problems in a variety of professional contexts. Offered to third year medical students.

FMMD 262 Clinical Clerkship 0.180.
A clerkship in family medicine. The purpose of this clerkship is to expose the students to the philosophy, principles, and practice of family medicine, emphasizing the bio-psychosocial model. It upgrades the medical students' knowledge of common problems and their skills in the application of preventative clinical medicine in the ambulatory care setting. Students see patients under supervision in the Family Medicine Practice Center and other centers inside and outside AUB and shadow clinical preceptors in the community. They also conduct site visits to community based health programs to gain exposure to the various resources available in the community. Offered to fourth year students. One month.

Teaching Activities

The department holds topic conferences, core content lectures, Journal Club, morning report, research forum, and guest lectures

University Health Services (UHS)

The Department of Family Medicine is responsible for providing comprehensive primary care services to the AUB community including students, and faculty/staff and their dependents at the University Health Services Gulbenkian and AREC (Bekaa) clinics.

Faculty Development

The Department provides faculty development courses to primary care physicians from Lebanon and the region. Subjects covered include: Evidence Based Practice, Health Information Systems, Communication Skills, Primary Care Centers Practice Management, Employee Health and Travel Medicine.

Satellite Clinics

The Department of Family Medicine is involved in managing clinic facilities of various organizations. It has operated the Family Medicine Clinic of the Lebanese army hospital for the last decade and is expanding coverage to the area of Aviation Medicine in advanced medical services.