

655G Cytopathology Directed Studies in Specialty Pathology

This rotation is not accepting international students.

Course Name Cytopathology Directed Studies in Specialty Pathology
Course Director Robert A. Edwards, MD, PhD

Elective at a Glance		
Available to: [X] UCI MS3 students [X] UCI MS4 students [X] Extramural Students		
Duration: 4 week min.	Number of Students: 2	Grading: H / P / F
Periods available: Throughout the year, except for the last 2 weeks in December		

1. Course Director, Coordinator and General Administrative Information

FACULTY AND STAFF

Name	Office Location	Phone	Email
Course Director: Robert A. Edwards, MD, PhD	Medical Sciences D449	949-824-8576	redwards@hs.uci.edu
Course Coordinator: Ashley Dunicliffe	Medical Sciences D440	949-824-5367	pathelectives@hs.uci.edu

DESCRIPTION

The students will be introduced to cytologic material representing specific disease processes which can then be transmitted to the clinicians in the form of meaningful diagnostic terms. The student will have the opportunity to observe and participate in the activities in the laboratory under close supervision of the staff and faculty.

PREREQUISITES

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RESTRICTIONS

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COURSE DIRECTOR: Robert A. Edwards, MD, PhD,
Instructing Faculty: Dr. Gioia Iezza, MD & staff

Elective Coordinator: Ashley Dunicliffe

INFORMATION FOR THE FIRST DAY

Who to Report to on First Day: Dr. Gioia Iezza

Location/Time to Report on First Day: contact the site coordinator for this information

SITE: UCI Medical Center

DURATION: 4 weeks minimum

Scheduling Coordinator: UC Irvine students please email comsched@hs.uci.edu to make a scheduling appointment.

Extramural students enrolled at a U.S. LCME medical school must use VSAS to apply. To apply please refer to the [Visiting Student Learning Opportunities](#) website.

Periods Available: Throughout the year **except** during the last two weeks in December. The time of the course must be pre-approved by the elective director at least 3 months prior to the start of the course. No exceptions.

NUMBER OF STUDENTS ALLOWED: 2

WHAT STUDENTS SHOULD DO TO PREPARE FOR THE COURSE: N/A

COMMUNICATION WITH FACULTY

Questions about logistics should be directed to the Course Coordinator. Direct questions, comments, or concerns about the course can be directed to the Course Director. Contact information and office location are at the beginning of this document.

The Course Director is also available to meet in person. Please email pathelectives@hs.uci.edu to arrange an appointment. To ensure that your email will not be lost in the large volume of email received, please use the following convention for the subject line:

SUBJECT: COURSE NAME, your last name, your issue (e.g. 655G, Smith, Request for appointment)

2. Course Objectives and Program Objective Mapping

The following are the learning objectives for the 655G course. Students are expected to demonstrate proficiency in these areas in order to satisfactorily complete the course. In addition, the extent of a student's mastery of these objectives will help guide the course evaluation and grade.

Course Objective	Mapped UCI School of Medicine Program Objective	Sub Competency	Core Competency
Transmit to the clinicians in the form of meaningful diagnostic terms based on cytologic samples obtained from various anatomic sites			
Interact with cytotechnologists and faculty in signing out daily cases and assist fine needle aspirations (FNA) and endobronchial ultrasound procedures			
Explain the utility of common immunohistochemical stains to assist in the interpretation of cytologic samples			

Key Topics: Gynecologic cytopathology, Non-GYN cytology, Fine needle aspiration

Competencies: Students are expected to discuss cellular alterations and pathogenesis of simple non- neoplastic and neoplastic diseases.

Attitudes & Commitments: Students are expected to be available daily for sign-out, FNAs in clinics, and review of FNAs performed during imaging procedures, Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM

3. Course Resources

TEXTS AND READINGS: SUGGESTED

Cytology - Diagnostic Principles and Clinical Correlates by Edmund S. Cibas and Barbara S. Ducatman. 4th Edition. Saunders

4. Major Exams, Assignments and Grading

MANDATORY SESSIONS:

Conference/Lecture/Small Group Sessions: Attend scheduled daily sign-out sessions and conferences.

Course Hours Weekly Summary: 40 hours

MAJOR ASSIGNMENTS AND EXAMS:

Educational Activities: Attend sign out sessions, review of cases, weekly cytology lecture

GRADING

Requirements for “Pass”:

To receive a grade of Pass, students must demonstrate successful performance in all the following areas:

- Knowledge
- Patient Care
- Practice-Based Learning
- Interpersonal & Communication Skills
- Professionalism
- Systems-Based Practice

Requirements for “Honors”:

To receive a grade of Honors, students must demonstrate exceptional performance all the following areas:

- Knowledge
- Patient Care
- Practice-Based Learning
- Interpersonal & Communication Skills
- Professionalism
- Systems-Based Practice

Grounds for “Incomplete”: You will not be issued a grade until all elements of the course have been completed.

REMEDIATION

Remediation, if needed will be designed by the Course Director to suit the issue at hand.

Grounds for “Fail”: You will receive a grade of "Fail" if the requirements for passing the course have not been met. Please refer to the [Grading Policy](#) for the impact of the "Fail" grade to the transcript.