

UCSF School of Medicine • Bridges Curriculum
IDS 113/Foundational Sciences in Foundations 2

Frequently Asked Questions

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IDS 113/ FS in F2: What does it all mean?

The Bridges Curriculum aims for integrated learning of foundational science and clinical skills throughout all 4 years of medical school. To this end, students are required to participate in a longitudinal curriculum, known under the course number IDS 113, which has two components:

- **Appropriate Use of Diagnostic Tests (ADT):** Students will learn how to choose appropriate diagnostic tests for common clinical indications. Sessions will emphasize how to safely and judiciously leverage radiologic and laboratory-based diagnostic tests in the support of patient care.
- **Foundational Sciences in Foundations 2 (FS-in-F2):** Students will reinforce and advance their understanding of foundational science through spiral learning and clinical inquiry. Sessions will include a variety of activities such as problem-based learning, panels, and frontiers.

What is the schedule for IDS 113?

Students will be expected to be in class on every other Wednesday between 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. There will be a total of 23 sessions between January through mid-December.

- 8:00 am to 9:20 am ~ FCM 110: Family and Community Medicine (FCM) Seminar*
- 9:30 am to 10:30 am ~ IDS 113: ADT
- 10:40 am to 5:00 pm ~ IDS 113: FS-in-F2

*The FCM 110 is hosted by the Department of Family and Community Medicine and is technically not part of IDS 113, but are taking place on the same day.

Where will IDS 113 be held?

IDS 113 will primarily be based at Mission Bay, though sessions may occasionally be held at Parnassus. Students will need to check the Collaborative Learning Environment (CLE) for campus and room assignments.

Is IDS 113 mandatory?

Yes, students are required to attend and participate in each activity of IDS 113. Attendance is not required during approved vacation time. Students who are unable to attend sessions due to illness must notify Amy Yun.

How will students participate in IDS 113 if they rotate in Fresno?

Sessions will be held at UCSF Fresno, co-facilitated by faculty at UCSF School of Medicine and UCSF Fresno. Students will be required to attend and participate in IDS 113 if they rotate in Fresno.

How will this affect Clerkships?

Students will not be available to attend clerkship activities during IDS 113 sessions.

What are the expectations for students?

Students must attend all of the sessions for IDS 113 and complete the required activities in class; facilitators will expect students to be actively engaged. Please note that students are not expected to prepare outside of class time, though the faculty hope that they will be able to bring their knowledge and experiences from IDS 113 to their clerkship teams.

Who is the main contact?

Please reach out to Amy Yun at (415) 203-6511 or amy.yun@ucsf.edu for questions or concerns.