



University of California  
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# Class of 2022 Career Launch Updates

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# Today's Topics

- **Welcome & Community Agreements**
  - Kelly Kao, MPP, Chief of Staff
- **CDC Guidelines & Impact on Educational Activities**
  - John Davis, PhD, MD, Associate Dean for Curriculum
- **Step 1 and Step 2 CK Exams**
  - Karen Hauer, PhD, MD, Associate Dean for Assessment
- **Update on Away Rotations & Residency Advising for 2021**
  - Lee Jones, MD, Associate Dean for Students
- **Review of the 2020-21 Residency Application Cycle**
  - Heather Whelan, MD & Brent Kobashi, MD, Co-Directors, Career Advising Program
- **Q&A**
  - DoQuyen Tran-Taylor, Director, Student Experience Team

# Student Check-In Community Agreements

- Presentations take place for first 30 minutes
  - After presentation, post questions in Q&A for panelists.
  - “Like” questions posted by your classmates to upvote them.
  - Updated COVID FAQs and Recording posted on Med Ed COVID website by Tuesday (3/16) afternoon.

# CDC Guidelines/Impact on Educational Activities

John Davis, PhD, MD, Associate Dean for Curriculum

# CDC Guidance



## ■ Changes

- Vax<sup>+</sup> + Vax<sup>+</sup>
- Vax<sup>+</sup> + (Vax<sup>-</sup>, Vax<sup>-</sup>)\*
- If asx, no isolation after exposure<sup>^</sup>



## ■ Continue

- In public: mask and >6'
- Avoid medium- or large-sized gatherings
- Get tested if any symptoms



# Impact on Educational Activities

- Policies driven by UCSF/UC, SFPDPH
- In light of recent CDC guidance, anticipate
  - More small group activities, labs, simulation, etc.
  - Alterations to density in clinical/educational spaces
- In light of vaccination, anticipate
  - More permissive approach to interacting with COVID+ patients
- Anticipate more changes in the near future...

# Step 1/Step 2 CK

Karen Hauer, MD, PhD Associate Dean for  
Assessment

# Step exams



- Step 1:
  - notify Doquyen Tran-Taylor, Dean Davis if trouble scheduling
- Step 2 CK
  - We encourage you to take Step 2 CK as soon as possible after completing F2
  - By November 30, 2021
  - Must pass Step 2 CK by the date the school must certify match participation with NRMP (usually 3rd week of Feb)
  - Students who do not intend to match must pass Step 2 CK by end of the quarter prior to the quarter they plan to graduate

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<https://meded.ucsf.edu/policies-procedures/usmle-board-exams-policy>

# Away Rotations & Residency Advising Updates

Lee Jones, MD, Associate Dean for Students

# Away Rotations for Medical Students

- The national coalition expects to review and make final recommendations for Away Rotations **by April 15, 2021.**
- UCSF SOM plans to follow the finalized recommendations and in the coming weeks we will be answering questions on how this will look like for both Away Rotations and Visiting Students.

# Away Rotations Preliminary Recommendations

- **Away rotations will resume no earlier than Aug. 1, 2021**
  - After April 15, learners may begin applying for and scheduling in-person away rotations with a start date of Aug. 1 or later.
- **Medical schools are encouraged to limit approved away rotations in any specialty to one per learner**
- Residency programs are encouraged to take into consideration if a learner exceeded the one away rotation limit during the residency selection process.

# Away Rotations Resources

- We will work with VSAS, the AAMC visiting student program, to update our algorithms to process both our students doing an away rotation and visiting students doing a rotation at UCSF.
- Your specialty advisors will be in touch with their national professional organizations for any additional, specialty-specific guidance.
- We will inform you of any updates and specifics as we receive them. We appreciate your patience as we work on guidelines for our community.

# Away Rotation Resources

- General questions on Away Rotation Logistics:
  - Valerie Jones ([Valerie.Jones@ucsf.edu](mailto:Valerie.Jones@ucsf.edu))
- Specialty specific questions
  - [Career residency advisors](#)
- Career Advising Program Co-Directors:
  - Dr. Heather Whelan ([Heather.Whelan@ucsf.edu](mailto:Heather.Whelan@ucsf.edu)) and Brent Kobashi ([Brent.Kobashi@ucsf.edu](mailto:Brent.Kobashi@ucsf.edu))
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# Residency Timeline (Tentative)

- September 15, 2021
  - ERAS Application released to programs; programs may contact individual applicants via ERAS for interviews
- October 1, 2021
  - MSPE released to Residency Programs
- October 2021 Residency Interviews Start
  - (highly variable amongst specialties Oct-Jan)

# Residency Timeline (Tentative)

- December 2021 Military Match
- January 2022
  - Urology Match and 2022 Ophthalmology Match (SF Match) results
- January 2022
  - Applicants and programs may start entering their rank order lists in NRMP
- February 2022
  - Final NRMP rank order list due for applicants and programs
- March 14, 2022 Match Week
- March 18, 2022 Match Day

# Review of the 2020-21 Cycle

Heather Whelan, MD & Brent Kobashi MD,  
Co-Directors, Career Advising Program

# What we know about the 2020-21 Cycle: Before applications due

- Some aspects were not very different compared to previous years:
  - Decide on specialty (+ 1 backup) -> Meet with Heather & Brent if not sure
  - NRMP Charting the Outcomes tool
  - Request LOR's/Write personal statement/Review CV
  - Complete sub-I's in specialty
  - Compile list of programs to apply to and review with advisor
- Some aspects were significantly changed:
  - Great importance of advisor meetings and support: students felt significantly better in the process if they had close relationships with advisors in their field
  - No away rotations -> This year there is likely to be some availability of away rotations
  - Step/USMLE cancellations

# Reminder about the UCSF Career Advising Website

## Info on:

- Each specialty, including how to find mentors
- Covid-19 specific specialty updates
- Specialty Residency Advisors contact info
- Appointments with Heather & Brent
- Letters of Recommendation
- Specialty Information Session Videos
- Residency Application Resources
- Post-Match Reports

[Tiny.ucsf.edu/careers](https://tiny.ucsf.edu/careers)

## Advising & Career Development



Medical students celebrate their residency placements on Match Day 2018

At every stage of your medical school careers at UCSF, we want students to feel supported, prepared and have the resources you need to make career decisions and set yourselves up for thriving careers as physician leaders. The following resources are available to prepare and support you on this journey. Remember you can also reach out to your [School of Medicine coach](#) at any point in this process.

### COVID-19 Updates

Please see the latest information, insights and advice about specialty residency applications and advising and letters of recommendation in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

SPECIALTY RESIDENCY INFORMATION AND ADVISING

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

MATCH 2020-2021 TIMELINE

### Advising & Career Development

[Specialty Information and Advising](#)

[Career Advising Program Videos and Checklist](#)

[Academic Advisors](#)

[Letters of Recommendation](#)

[School of Medicine Deans](#)

[Residency Application & Matching Resources](#)

# What we know about the 2020-21 cycle: Interviews

- Average number of interviews that each applicant received declined somewhat
  - Some applicants received a very large number of interviews and others a smaller number
    - Potential reasons: less cost and thus less incentive to cancel interviews
- Interview season for 2020-21 application cycle extended through February -> This year likely to revert to 2019 schedule, in which most interviews are complete by end of January
- Anecdotal evidence that residency programs invited more geographically proximate applicants to interview
- UCSF applicants were encouraged to be explicit about reasons for applying to programs outside of the West coast region

# General advice for residency interview preparation

- Stay abreast of updates on how interviews will be conducted
  - Announcements from UCSF SOM
  - Specialty advisors and their national professional organizations
  - AAMC website
- Near peer guidance on interviews (just matched 2021 and graduated in last few years)
- Prepare for both video interviews and in-person interviews (will review in ARCH 8)
- Video interviews
  - Logistics—ensure reliable wifi, computer function, good lighting
  - Practice opportunities—OCPD one-on-one appointments and video platform
- Potential in-person interviews
  - Allow for some time in CL schedule for travel
  - Talk with financial aid office if may need assistance
  - Take advantage of alumni for info and possible places to stay
- Any type of interview
  - AAMC CIM interview preparation tips, including questions to anticipate being asked and questions to ask programs

# What we know about the 2020-21 Cycle: Match

- Urology and Ophthalmology matches for 2021 have similar match rate compared to previous years
- We'll have more info after March 19<sup>th</sup>!
- Reminder: Updated general info about post-interview communication, rank order list guidance and SOAP/Match on the Career Advising Website:
  - [Tiny.ucsf.edu/careers](https://tiny.ucsf.edu/careers)
- We will see you at ARCH 7 and 8.

# Q&A





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