### Match Cohort Data

**Specialty: Diagnostic Radiology**  
Number of Survey Respondents = 9  
2020(33%), 2021(33%), 2022(33%)

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**Mean**  
**St Dev**  
**Step 1**  
239.25  
14.98

### Post Match Survey Responses

**Did you review the list of programs to which you applied with a Specialty Advisor?**

Yes  8  
No  1

**Before ranking programs, did you review your rank list with a Specialty Advisor?**

Yes  5  
No  4

**If not a Specialty Advisor, with whom did you review your rank list?**

- Faculty  1  
- Family  2  
- Partner/Spouse  2

**Other: Please describe**

**Were you advised to do an away rotation by a specialty advisor?**

Yes  0  
No  6

**Who was your most effective career advisor for your specialty? (number of multiple mentions)**

- Confidential advisor  1  
- Emma Webb  7  
- My PI  1
If you were to do anything differently in the residency application process, what would that be?

Hard to say, because our interview season was via Zoom due to the pandemic.

Accept fewer interviews for advanced programs; arrange to talk one-on-one with more current interns in the prelim programs that I was considering.

I would do a warm-up rotation before my medicine sub-I in order to be better prepared for it.

I would have applied to more programs and sought out opinions outside of the specialty advisors for my application.

Reached out to more advisors sooner. Wish I took rotations I was deciding between sooner in fourth year to rule in/out specialties.

I would have started preparing my application earlier in the summer (especially with regards to letters of recommendation).

Reach out to programs that I am particularly interested in early on.

Apply to less geographically distant programs.

I would try to group more interviews together and take advantage of the UCSF Alumni host program in order to minimize costs.

Please provide any other information that might be helpful to UCSF students who will apply to your specialty choice in the future.

Diagnostic Radiology interviews tend to be much more casual than other fields. Make sure to list your hobbies in ERAS so that interviewers have topics to discuss with you. Interview season can be fun, so try to relax and take things in stride.

Talk to the confidential radiology advisor as early as possible! That said, even if you're starting to consider radiology late in the game, don't be afraid to explore by doing one of the month-long subspecialty sub-I's and/or asking an advisor to help you make connections or get involved with a small research project. On the sub-I, remain engaged by asking to try interpreting some studies on your own and reading out to a resident/attending, following along while residents are reading out studies and having relevant patient history details ready, doing background reading at home and highlighting pearls (if/when they are relevant and helpful), and asking to assist with image-guided procedures!
Identify your interest and possible mentors as early as you can!

I would try to get in touch with near peers who applied to your specialty recently since they often have a better understanding of applying than the specialty advisors. I would also apply to more programs than you may think you need because you never know how the application season will go.

Reach out to advisors sooner. Know exactly what you need to apply to your specialty. If you are still undecided Explore those rotations sooner rather than later.

I would recommend applying broadly to a large number of schools especially if interviews continue to be in the virtual format.

Meet with the career advisor and stay in communication with them throughout the entire cycle

You can do it!

Interviews are usually very relaxed and conversational. Most frequent questions I was asked were the following: why radiology, tell me about yourself, why are you interested in our program, what are your strengths/weaknesses, where do you see yourself in 10 years. /// Practice interview questions with family, friends, UCSF Career office or by yourself. You might be nervous or feel rusty during the at first but gradually you'll feel more comfortable during the interviews. I would recommend scheduling the first few interviews at programs you're less interested in and scheduling interviews towards the middle to end for programs that you're more interested in. /// My interviews started on Oct 18 and ended on Jan 14. I would recommend scheduling research elective or non-clinical electives during this period as interviews will take up the majority of your time. /// Ask several people to review your personal statement and application. /// Take a few notes during or after your interviews! It is much easier to make your rank list when you have something to reference as all the programs tend to blur together by February. You will get excellent training at most programs so go where you feel that you will be happiest.